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A F of L Asks Election After Attempting To Raid Local Plant

Tank Depot Nearing Election

NLRB Examiner Here For Inspection

Leland Dougan, field examiner for the NLRB, was in Toledo, March 10, conducting an investigation which will lead either to a consent election, if the Tank Depot management agrees, or to a hearing on a petition of the UAW-CIO for the election.

Organization work at Tank Depot, which has been going forward for some time under Local 12, UAW-CIO representatives Harold Dean and Edward Duck, have progressed to the point where a majority of the plant employes are members of the UAW, with more members being added from day to day.

According to Dean, a large number of the women workers at the Tank Depot have entered the Union ranks and plenty of CIO badges are now seen around the plant.

Discusses Premium Pay

Edward Duck, in discussing the cent an hour ppremium pay increase which the company got for night shift workers at the plant, said, "the increase was only a drop in the bucket to the big wage adjustments which are in store for Tank Depot employes once they have had their election and Local 12 is their bargaining agent. We get premium pay for all our people doing night work, and besides that, we will get them wage adjustments which we know are in line with the wages paid by other plants doing work similar to Tank Depot."

Organization Growing Rapidly

Duck also commented upon the plant membership in the UAW, which he said is growing larger every day. "It wont' be long," said Duck, "until by far the greatest majority of the workers at Tank

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Hobbs Antilabor Bill Nears Vote in House

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Chairman A. J. Sabath (D.-Ill.) spoke bitterly of the rules committee's action March 2 in giving a rule to the Hobbs bill, which he described as completely unnecessary legislation. He and Rep. John J. Delaney (D.-N. Y.) voted against it. It was to come up for discussion and probable vote in the house of the week of March 7, it was expected. It is being vigorously opposed by the AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods.

Carrie Chapman Catt Fights Amendment

Calls Equal Rights "Snare and Delusion"

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—The socalled equal rights for women amendment pending before congress is "a snare and a delusion," Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, honorary president of the Natl. League of Women Voters, warned in a statement condemning the proposal as an attack on the hard won gains of working women.

"Women of the trade union occupations enjoy protective legislation," Mrs. Catt said. "Generations of hard work in which women's organizations joined brought about this protective legislation. It includes laws concerning minimum wages, suitable hours, night work, sanitary conditions and other things.

"The workers themselves agree that they have received benefits from protective legislation, and they are almost unanimously opposed to its repeal through the equal rights amendment."

Get Out Your Pencil and Paper

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Here's an unusual offer to unionists who have been panting for the opportunity to answer the anti-labor barbs of Rickenbacker, Pegler and Co.

The March 13 issue of Liberty magazine, after printing two vicious anti-labor letters in its Vox Pop page, carries an editorial postscript complaining that it has been deluged with anti-union letters but has not heard a peep from union members.

The note concludes with this come-on: "What do you say, union men? Maybe it's time to get your side in print?" All takers can write to Liberty magazine, 205 E. 42nd St., New York.

Every One a Queen

Meet the four successful contestants for the War Production Queen awards: Left to right: Virginia Welcome, Spicer Mfg. Co., Jane Pilcher choosen as War Production Queen, Willys-Overland Co., Wilhelmina Heringhauser, Champion Spark Plug Unit, and Ruth Von Tuinen, DeVilbiss Mfg. Co.

Rules Rent Control Act Unconstitutional

Federal Judge Dismisses Tenant's Suit

By Federated Press

SOUTH BEND—U. S. District Judge Thomas W. Slick struck a blow at efforts to stabilize the cost of living when he ruled, Feb. 27, that the federal rent control act was unconstitutional.

Dismissing the suit of a tenant who had been overcharged $10 a month by Dick M. Johnson, a South Bend landlord, the judge said: "Congress never intended to delegate arbitrary rent control powers to a rent administrator and if it was so intended the act . . . is unconstitutional . . .

"In my opinion the rent administrator cannot use his own discretion to arbitrarily fix rent prices without a hearing. There must be some standard to guide him which the rent control act fails to provide."

A Real Marine Who Saw No Union Loafers

By Federated Press

CLEVELAND — Although the Guadalcanal hoax story spread like wildfire, the marines on Guadalcanal knew absolutely nothing about it.

Quoting "a very simple letter" from Marine Corp. W. A. Gebbardt to Cleveland Port Agent William Mallon of the Natl. Maritime Union (CIO), the Cleveland Union Leader comments:

"It probably wouldn't even be worth mentioning if the Akron Beacon Journal and dozens of other anti-labor papers hadn't faked propaganda stories to the effect that certain marines whom they refuse to name and who probably never existed outside the mind of sobsister Helen Waterhouse, allegedly said NMU workers refused to unload a ship in the South Pacific . . . and if Eddie Rickenbacker, the airplane and auto manufacturer, hadn't slandered all of organized labor.

"But since the propaganda events occurred, the letter of this former Cleveland union seaman and present U. S. Marine Corps man who just 'had a nice vacation on Guadalcanal' is worth mention. Marine Corp. Gebbardt simply apologized for not straightening out his union book before he left and urged the NMU to carry on."

Attempt To Solve Absentee Problem

UAW and Management Of Ohio Steel Foundry Work Out Program

LIMA, O., March 9—In what is believed to be a unique plan for cutting absenteeism to a minimum, a plan was worked out between Local 975 UAW-CIO and the Ohio Steel Foundry, setting up a program which was designed to give incentive to workers employed by the company to attend their work with regularity.

A committee from Local 975 met with Mr. W. P. Dudley, repreesnting the Ohio Steel Foundry Co. management, and after discussing several plans, one satisfactory to both parties was evolved.

Bank Night Program

As now set up, the plan consists in placing the clock numbers of all employes together in a container. Each Monday morning a number is drawn. If an employe had worked six days during the week previous to the drawing and his particular number was drawn, he would win an additional $50 over and above his usual rate of pay for the six-day period.

Should it happen that the employe had not worked the full six days, the $50 would revert to a jack-pot fund to which an additiona $50 had been added for the next week's drawing. The fund

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Bracy Inducts Lima CIO Council Officers

Central Body Plans Busy Year

LIMA, O., March 6 — Mike Bracy, International representative for the UAW-CIO, was the installing officer for the Lima Industrial Union Council at its regular meeting March 4.

Following officers were installed by Mr. Bracy: Paul Brown, UE, president; Frank Kline, ANG, vice-president; Al Lambert, UE, secretary-treasurer; Lennie Wesler, URWA, recording secretary; Oscar McLain, Mun. Workers, fore guard; Evelyn Marks, UCAPAWA, executive board member-at-large; A. H. Falk, ANG, Ray Lekew, UCAPAWA, trustees, and Ruby Catlatte, UCAPAWA, corrensponding secretary.

Plan Busy Year

Plans are being made by the Lima Industrial Union Council to take part in many activities during the ensuing year. Particular interest is being shown in the legislation now pending in Washington and Columbus which is opposed by labor.

Biddle Recommends Aliens Use

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle recently advocated wider use of resident aliens of enemy countries as a means of utilizing manpower. In few instances are they prohibited, he said, but they just aren't used, he indicated.

Then There Is Byrd

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—Senator Harry F. Byrd (D.-Va.) made great efforts March 2 not to be left out of the mad scramble to get on the antilabor legislative bandwagon. He introduced a bill authorizing draft boards to order striking war workers back to work or induct them into the armed forces.

Community Traction Shows Surplus

Fare Cut In Sight

In the report of E. L. Graumlich, city transit commissioner, to the city Council, it was shown that an $84,296.41 surplus existed which is growing rapidly.

According to Commissioner Graumlich, car fares can be reduced by one cent when the surplus reaches $100,000. Councilman Etchen asked when this reduction of car fare could be expected and Graumlich said it would be approximately two months.

CIO To Organize Community Councils

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—The Greater New York Industrial Union Council has called for a citywide network of CIO community councils, composed of all available unionists in the area, which will cooperate with neighborhood civilian defense, religious, civic, fraternal and political and other labor organizations.

Columbus Legislative Report

Earl Ordway Gives Summary of State Legislation

Earl Ordway, vice-president of the Ohio CIO Council has returned from Columbus where he attended hearings on several bills of anti-union character and presented his report to Local 12 and the Toledo Industrial Union Council.

First bill to be reported out of committee according to the Ordway report is H. B. 311 or Pierce bill providing for removal of hour limitations for workers over 16 years of age. The bill is opposed by the CIO and other labor unions because its provisions are not merely a duration of the war measure; but would be permenent.

OTHER BILLS REPORTED

Ordway reported on the hearing ported in last week's issue of the Toledo Union Journal and S. B. 36 which was opposed by Labor particularly in the sections relative to the State Highway patrol. The bill which before its change at the request of Ohio labor would have made it possible to use the state highway police in case of strikes. As amended, the bill eliminates the use of the state highway police in strikes or labor disputes.

Support was given by Ordway and other labor representatives to S. B. 115 (Cramer) relative to more prompt and equitable payment of school teachers.

Opposed was S. B. 131 (Eaker) which provided commercial hatcheries be exempt from unemployment tax. The bill was killed in committee.

Several other bills were scheduled for hearing beginning March 8 of greatest interest to labor being S. B. 202 relative to certain changes and additions to the unemployment compensation law, and H. B. 300 relating to child welfare.

Other reports will be given from time to time by vice-president Ordway who is an accredited CIO legislative representative before the Ohio State legislature. Brother Ordway is a member of the Spicer Unit affiliated with Local 12.

Labor Joins In Thanking China

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Turning out in a demonstration to express their deep admiration for the ally which has fought off the Japanese for six years, more than 17,000 New Yorkers March 2 heard Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek, wife of the Chinese generalissimo, pledge that "China will hold firm."

The meeting climaxed a 2-day welcome which included an auto drive through crowd-lined streets and an official reception at City Hall. Mme. Chiang, thanking the American people for what they have done and are doing, linked the destiny of China with aspirations of the entire United Nations.

"The swift and mighty tide of the world, as represented by the United Nations, is toward universal justice and freedom," she said. "In furtherance of this tendency, we in China have bled for the last six long years. We shall hold firm to the faith that nothing short of race annihilation will ever prevent any people from struggling against wanton domination, whether economic or political.

Speaking on behalf of labor, president David Dubinsky of the

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Is There A Room For A Rabbit In Your Trailer?

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Rabbit meat was placed under price control Feb. 26 with dressed rabbit at 55c a pound, or 44c wholesale, and live rabbit at 24c. At the same time FP learned the Dept. of Interior is to have charge of a bangup campaign to get home dwellers to raise their own rabbits for food.

Aviation Products Scene of AF of L Undercover Work

Local 12, UAW-CIO Welcomes Election

Smarting under a long series of defeats handed it by Local 12, UAW-CIO, the AF of L has petitioned the National Labor Relations Board for an election to be held among employes of Aviation Products, Stickney Ave. division of the Electric Auto-Lite.

A vast majority of the workers at the Stickney Ave. plant are members of Local 12, UAW-CIO, many of them having been signed up since the plant first opened months ago.

Officials of Local 12, far from fearing an election test at Aviation Products, welcome it. As one of the Local 12 officers put it," we have defeated the AFL in every election contested by them, and we will do it again. It's no mystery why this crew of die-hards is a push-over in elections, because the people who work in the plants where elections are held want to belong to a progressive, democratic organization which does things for them, instead of one where they are dictated to by a bunch of high-salaried labor leeches who are not interested in the welfare of the workers but in the high dues they can collect from them."

Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president, commenting about the latest efforts of the AFL to secure new members, said, "The AFL is not concerned with workers' seniority, that is just an excuse. What the AFL really wants is new members to make up for those who have left them because of their tactics in getting yellow-dog contracts which have played directly into the hands of management. Workers who have defeated the AFL in so many Toledo plants have had good reason for sticking with the

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Hillman and Woll Predict Labor Unity

CIO and AFL Hail War Relief Cooperation

By Federated Press

NEW YORK, March 5—Complete labor unity in the immediate future was forecast by 2nd AFL vice president Matthew Woll and president Sidney Hillman of the Amalagamated Clothing Workers (CIO) at a luncheon here March 3, launching a united drive to raise $4,000,000 for war relief by AFL, CIO and railroad unions.

Both speakers hailed the cooperation and friendship in the war relief undertaking as an indication of the future success of a reunited labor movement.

Woll Is Hopeful

"We are hopeful," Woll said, "that through this medium in the relief field there may come about a better understanding in the economic field, and the speedier the better—that is, an effort toward complete labor unity."

"Our aims and ambitions are the same," Hillman declared. "When we can do this as a united labor movement, there is no reason why in the near future we should need an impartial chairman between Sidney Hillman and Matthew Woll.

"This demonstrates that there is no reason for keeping up a division in labor, and those responsible for bringing about peace negotiations in the labor movement should make it urgent. The need for it is obvious.

Mary Norton's Committee to Study Absenteeism

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—In what is interpreted as a move to deflect the headlong congressional rush to enact antilabor legislation by allowing a factual instead of distorted picture of absenteeism, strikes and so on to emerge from testimony, Rep. Robert Ramspeck (D.-Ga.), majority whip, March 2 said that Chairman Mary Norton's (D.-N. J.) house labor committee would begin a general labor study soon. He is a ranking majority member of the committee.

Council Interested In Government Hospital

Appoints Committee To Expedite Matters

City Council at its regular Monday night session interested itself in the proposed government hospital which is under consideration for Toledo.

Councilman Hoover, who condemned "a lot of red tape," said that he had conducted a one-man investigation and believed a committee should be appointed to investigate the possibility of getting the hospital and made a motion that such a committee be appointed by Mayor Lloyd Roulet.

Etchen Is Lukewarm to Hospital

Only councilman to throw cold water on the hospital was Howard Etchen, who cooled off perceptibly when Councilman Hoover in his talk said that "we ought to get a hospital here if we have to donate the land." Mr. Etchen is in the real estate business.

Mr. Etchen said that the government would probably ship the wounded some place else anyway, even if there were a hospital here; but voted in favor of appointing the three-man commission. The commission will be appointed at a later date by Mayor Roulet.

Thacher Misses Meetings

Monday's Council meeting was the second straight meeting missed by Councilman Ad Thacher, who is enjoying a vacation in Florida. Councilman Ollie Czelusta asked that Mr. Thacher be excused from last week's and Monday night's meeting, which was readily granted by the other councilmen.

Councilmen Etchen rose to wonder why the city did not advertise for bids for a used car for the Fire Department for general use. The car Council approved for purchase, has 3500 miles on it, according to City Manager Schoonmaker, and will cost $1300. Councilman Etchen expressed the belief that the city should follow regulations and proper procedure and advertise for bids.

Union Journal Ignored

E. L. Graumlich, city transit commissioner, presented his report and handed out copies to newspaper reporters present for the

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Sandusky Foundry To Hold NLRB Election

Farrel Check Co. Agrees To Consent Election

SANDUSKY, O., March 9—(Special)—An election will be held at the Farrel Cheek Foundry Co. plant here on March 16 under the auspices of the National Labor Relations Board to determine whether or not the UAW-CIO will represent the plant workers.

As a result of the consent of the Farrel Cheek Foundry management in a conference before the National Labor Relations Board in Cleveland, March 6, no hearings on the election were necessary. All parties to the election signed the agreement and the NLRB issued its election directive naming the March 16 election date.

UAW Has Many Members

The organization drive, which was under James Crowley of the International regional office, was one of the shortest ever to take place in region 2B, requiring less than six weeks to secure a majority of the plant employes as members. More than 70 per cent of the plant workers now belong to the UAW.

It was pointed out to the plant employes that a majority of the foundries of Ohio are under UAW contract and that these plants have higher wages and better working conditions than other plants not yet affiliated with the United Automobile Workers.

Richard Gosser, regional director of the UAW with headquarters in Toledo, welcomed the Farrel Cheek workers into the UAW and expressed the hope that they would be able to swing the election by a substantial majority.

About 575 employes of the company are eligible to vote in the election which wil take place from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. at the personnel office, Wayne St. entrance.

James Crowley, International Union representative, said, "I have never seen employes more enthusiastic about organization than those of Farrel Cheek I know these people are going to have a union which will hold their gains when this war is over."

Only two names will be on the ballot, that of the UAW-CIO and No Union.

Anti-Labor Drive Proceeds; Two Hearings Under Way

Stimson and Land Back Anti-Labor Bills

WASHINGTON — The Austin-Wadsworth draft labor bill backers who nabbed Sec. of War Henry Stimson as an advocate landed no new officials as hearings continued March 4 with no catch other than Grenville Clark, Wall Street attorney who wrote the measure.

Although a poor show, it nevertheless got page one space. Apparently the publicity has been well planned and calculated to last a good while and the newspapers can be counted on no matter who testifies.

At the house naval affairs committee's hearing on the Johnson bill to curb absenteeism by big stick methods — providing for bosses in plants doing business with the navy to report all cases of absenteeism not authorized in advance to selective service boards —there was a surprise.

Land Endorses Measure

For there was—none other than Admiral Emory S. Land, head of the War Shipping Administration. He endorsed the measure, the first public official to do so.

Land gave formal credit to labor leaders who have given "considerable cooperation" in efforts to curtail absenteeism, but his emphasis was in the other direction. He said 6.4% of the 2,389,000 man hours lost in the week ending Jan. 15 were "unexplained," and "that means 100 Liberty ships per annum."

He said "illegitimate absenteeism is a first cousin to slackerism" and added, "In the opinion of the U. S. Maritime Commission and the War Shipping Administration a 'work or fight' order would help materially in preventing such absences."

Unions Testify

Labor spokesmen were scheduled to testify the following day. President N. P. Alifas, District 44, Intl. Assn. of Machinists (AFL) began his testimony, but yielded his place as a witness to Land. He was to resume the next day, with president John Green, Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers (CIO) and J. Raymond Walsh, CIO research director.

"Organized labor is as desirious as anyone can be to eliminate absenteeism to the vanishing point," said Alifas. "Attempting to reach absenteeism by legislation is providing a cure that is really worse than the disease."

Only by labor management cooperation could the real cure be applied, he said.

Lima UAW Installs Officers

Mike Bracy Officiates At Function

LIMA, O., March 8 — Newly elected officers of Local No. 975 were inducted into office March 5 by Mike Bracy, International representative in the Lima district. Local 975 has been growing quite rapidly and a good crowd was preesnt for the installation.

Following officers were inducted: President, Paul Halden; vice-president, Frank Britton; recording secretary, Eugene Goedde; financial secretary, Harlan Sneary; treasurer, Louis Coby; sergeant-at-arms, Donald Brown; trustees, Lee Cook, Ralph Thomas and George McCrary.

Also inducted were the following members of the bargaining committee: Fred Riggle, Paul Halden, Richard Finn, Lee Cook, Harlan Smeary and Louis Coby.

Draft Labor Bill Attacked

Called "Measure Of Desperation"

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—AFL and CIO members of the Management Labor Policy committee of the War Manpower Commission issued a joint statement March 3 describing the Austin-Wadsworth bill to draft labor as a "measure of desperation" to be vigorously opposed by labor as a blow to the war program.

The members are Clinton S. Golden, Walter Reuther and John Green of the CIO, and Frank Fenton, Joseph McDonagh and George Masterson of the AFL.

The WMC has been struggling valiently to meet all the facets of the manpower problem but there are problems beyond its control which call for establishment of a central coordinated and civilian control of manpower, production, civilian economy and technological mobilization agencies, they said. This is offered in the Tolan-Kilgore-Pepper bill. The draft bill offers no plan at all.

"The issue is not at all compulsion as against a voluntary program," they said. "The issue is whether we are to approach our interrelated production and manpower problems on a basis of planned organization or whether we are simply to exercise power without planning and understanding.

Labor Joins In Thanking China

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Intl. Ladies Garment Workers Union declared:

"It is now and today that we must do our duty and repay a debt long overdue to our best friend in Asia. We hope that when a victory is finally won and China regains her opportunity for greater economic and social development, the great mass of Chinese labor will take their place alongside the free workers of the U. S. and all other democratic nations as a part of a better and happier postwar world, with equal opportunities for organization and progress."

LEWIS DEMANDS INCREASE

SCRANTON, Pa.— President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) told delegates to the tri-district anthracite convention here that substantial wage increases will be demanded for the 90,000 hard-coal miners when negotiations begin April 10. The convention voted to demand $2 a day.

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Depot belong to the UAW. We already have a good majority; but from all indications, it looks like this is going to be one of our biggest memberships in relation to the number of people employed at the plant."

In the event that the company management refuses to grant a consent election, the NLRB will order an election hearing which will show that Local 12 has a membership to justify calling the election.

Events now in motion should result in an election within a very short time and Tank Depot employes will be given the opportunity to make a choice of a bargaining agent.

Rankin Is Disappointed

Rep. John Rankin (D.-Miss.), whose laborbaiting is sometimes embarrassing to more effete members of the congress who do it more subtly, left no doubt in anyone's mind that he attributed Vinson's change of decision about Rickenbacker at least partly to the NMU's announcement.

Bitterly disappointed that the "godsend to America" isn't going to testify on absenteeism, Rankin raved about the "alien-infested seamens' union" which dared to claim a patriotism greater than the Rickenbacker's (former America Firster).

CAN'T LEAVE STATE

OKLAHOMA CITY—Permission to leave the state has been refused to the three Oklahoma criminal syndicalism defendants—Ina Wood, Alan Shaw and Eli Jaffe—whose convictions were reversed by the state criminal court of appeals.

WILL NOT EXPLOIT WOMEN

PHILADELPHIA—"There is no intention in government or in industry to exploit women as cheap labor," War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt said here, appealing to women to help solve the critical manpower problem.

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UAW. They realize that the UAW has, on every occasion, proven itself capable of representing the workers' interest and has done so consistently."

UAW a Democratic Organization

Propaganda being distributed by the AFL to the effect that the workers at Aviation Products are dissatisfied is principally a product of wishful thinking on the part of AFL business agents, according to employes of the Stickney Ave. plant. One employe stated the case when he said, "There are a few disgruntled people who, because of personal ambitions, are trying to make it appear that plant employes are not satisfied with Local 12. The fact is that most of the people at the plant are not only willing to have Local 12 handle our affairs, but prefer it to the AFL, which up to the present cannot point to a single thing it has accomplished for the workers in any Toledo plant."

Auto-Lite committee members are pointing out that the master contract (which is being reprinted in each issue of the Toledo Union Journal) is the same one which inspired workers at the Mather Spring, Burt's Foundry, Industrial Rubber, Kent-Owens and many other Toledo plants to throw out the AFL contract which few employes knew or understood and to accept the UAW-CIO as bargaining agent.

AFL "Protection" Gets Laugh

Claims made by the AFL that Aviation Products employes have asked for AFL "protection" is getting many laughs from officers and members of Local 12, who are asking, "Whom did the AFL ever protect and when?"

Edward Duck, educational director of Local 12, when told that the AFL wanted to "protect Aviation Products employes," said, "What the AFL wants to protect is its rapidly dwindling membership, which is leaving shop by shop for the UAW-CIO. What can the AFL offer the workers now that it has not offered them before, except a dictatorial organization to which they pay high dues and which gives them a contract they can't understand, and leadership 50 years behind the times?"

Local 12 Is Willing

Local 12 officers have expressed themselves willing to give the AFL a consent election at Aviation Products and to again hand the AFL another defeat to add to the growing list of such defeats in every shop in which an election contest has taken place.

Robert Guncheon, chairman of the Auto-Lite union committee, commenting on the AFL election request, summed up Local 12's attitude when he said, "We have defeated the AFL so many times it isn't funny. They are asking for another beating, and we are convinced we can give it to them, as long as they want it."

NLRB hearings on the AFL election request have not yet been set but Local 12 has no objections to the election any time it may be ordered.

How to Save Money And Lose Production

BALTIMORE—The Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyards suspended 500 workers for one day here allegedly to punish them for punching out within one minute of quitting time —but actually at considerable profit to the company.

Despite management claims that it was merely a coincidence, the day picked to chastise the workers happened to be a Saturday when workers receive time-and-a-half wage rates.

Business Agent Parious Sleezanis of Local 43, Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers (CIO), commented: "We do not think that laying off of welders, pipefitters, painters and burners for today is the answer to the critical shipbuilding problem now."

450,000 Negroes In U. S. Army

Negro personnel in the Army, enlisted and commissioned, now totals more than 450,000, serving in every arm and branch of the service, the War Department has announced.

Of that number, more than 60,000 are serving outside the continental United States with other American forces. In the Far Pacific, more than 25,000 Negro soldiers are on duty, while approximately 10,000 are on duty in North Africa.

Capt. McManamon Congratulates "Queens"

Capt. F. J. McManamon of the Toledo Naval Armory congratulating the War Production Queens from the stage of the Valentine Theatre last week when he presented them with bond awards in a contest sponsored by leading Toledo war industries, Loew's Valentine Theatre and the Toledo Union Journal.

City-Wide Legislative Conference Called

Local 12 Political Activities Committee Sponsors All Day Sessions

A legislative conference has been called by the Political Activities Committee of Local 12 to which many Toledo organizations will send their representatives on March 19, at the Toledo Industrial Union Council hall, 611 Huron St.

Kenneth Cole, executive secretary of the TIUC now associated with the UAW-CIO Washington office as a liason man will be one of the principle speakers at the meeting, while Ted Silvey, executive secretary for the Ohio Industrial Union Council, Columbus, will discuss state legislation now in hearing or on the floor of the Ohio House and Senate.

Organizations Will Participate

Asked to participate in the meeting by sending their representatives are the following organizations many of whom have already accepted the invitation to take part in the conference: Local 12, UAW-CIO; Toledo Industrial Union Council; Toledo Catholic Charities, Lutheran Inner Mission, Professional Women's Club, League of Women Voters, Parent Teachers Association, Ohio Federation of Teachers, Douglas Center and the Toledo Society for the Blind.

Invited to attend and speak to the meetings which will extend throughout the day beginning in the morning at 10:00 a. m. and again at 1:30 p. m. and 8:00 p. m. are the following: Judge Thomas O'Connor, Judge Paul Alexander of Juvenile court; Rev. Doyle, Eva Eppstein Shaw, Robert Gosline, Carl Benson, and many others interested in pending legislation effecting women and children in industry and business.

To Examine Legislation

Principal consideration will be given to legislation effecting labor particularly the hours and conditions of women and children in industry which are being considered by the Ohio State Legislature, as well as many bills before congress which would work a hardship on labor and bring about conditions opopsed to the workers morale in wartime.

Others who will speak are Melvin Schultz, President of Local 12, UAW-CIO, Richard Gosser, Regional UAW Director and Walter Baertschi.

The committee in charge of arranging the legislative conference included Thomas Burke, Earl Ordway, Robert Pugh, Clint Whitaker, Chas. M. Griffin, Walter Madrzykowski, Lewis Mattox, Tom Russell and Florence Wolfe.

Army Accused Of Barring Anti-Fascists From Combat Duty

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Seasoned American anti-fascist fighters are being herded into army work camps in the United States along with Nazis, Fascists and Japanese sympathizers, the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade asserted March 5.

Today approximately 500 of the veterans who fought Hitler's forces in Spain are in the armed forces and an additional 300 are in the merchant marine, Jack Bjoze, executive secretary of the Veterans, says. But, according to Bjoze, the fighting records of these men translated into army language emerge as "disloyal and subversive activities."

"It has become quite clear," Bjoze wrote in a letter to President Roosevelt, "and even admitted in certain quarters of the army, that members of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade are to be barred from combat duty and from advancement in the Army. A number of veterans have been separated from their combat units and transferred to camps together with Fascists, Nazis and pro-Japanese elements."

Stork Gets a Look-In On Shipyard Contract

By Federated Press

GREENPORT, N. Y.—Add signs of the changing times: The first maternity clause ever to be included in a union contract covering shipyard workers was negotiated between the Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers (CIO) and the Greenport Basin & Construction Co. here.

The clause grants full seniority protection and leaves of absence without pay to pregnant employes.

Newsprint Price Increases

WASHINGTON — The OPA granted a $4 a ton increase in the ceiling price of standard newsprint paper Feb. 27. Canadian and American producers had asked for a $10 increase.

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meeting, but was unable to locate one for the Toledo Union Journal reporter who covered the session.

When called by the editor of the Toledo Union Journal at his home, Mr. Graumlich said that he did not know if the Journal could get a copy of the transit commissioner's report or not, as "the copies available are limited." When asked by the Journal's editor, "Do you mean to say that we are not entitled to a copy of that report?" Graumlich said, "No, I don't mean to say that at all." He was then requested to see to it that the Journal received a report the same as other papers.

Other Council Business

Council discussed the gas shortage and asked that the city manager take precautions to prevent the city being caught without any warning in the future.

City Auditor Rudy Klein asked for permission to transfer $70,000 from the general fund to the Poor Relief Fund to balance the 1942 deficit; but Councilman Etchen expressed the belief that the matter should be "talked about a little bit" and asked that the matter be deferred until the next meeting of Council. Council voted to hold the matter over and talk about it next meeting.

In an opinion from the law department, the occupancy tax on places of business discussed at last week's Council meeting can be levied according to Bert Hebenstreit, assistant city law director.

Approved by Council was an ordinance to designate certain intersections as stop streets; approved complete storm sewers, voted against by Etchen and Jurrus.

Three spectators were present for the meeting.

Superior Coach Gets New Officers

Inducted By Howard Seren

Lima, Ohio, March 8 — Howard Seren, UAW-CIO International representative was in Lima, March 5 to induct the newly elected officers of Local 711, UAW-CIO of the Superior Coach Co.

Following were the officers installed for the current year: President, Don Boothby; vice-president, Marty Tschida; sec'y-treas., Mick Shields; rec. sec'y., Charles Gephart; guide, Vernon Locker; sgt-at-arms, Mell Robinson; trustees, Ed Kimmick, Ed Randall and Herschel Snyder. Shop Committee: Pete Butorac, Marty Tschida, Dean Kemper, John Frysinger and Vernon Locker.

Attempt To Solve Absentee Problem

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would accumulate should it happen that employes working less than the six days or reguar work week had their names drawn.

Under the terms of the agreement between the Union and company, the first drawing will take place this week, with others to follow in accord with the plan set up.

Both the company and employes are looking forward with a great deal of interest to the success of the plan which might be used with some variation to suit conditions in other plants with an absentee problem.

In Behalf of the Unorthodox

by Robert Burkart

SAD NEWS

The newspapers are full of sad news these days, what with the War Labor Board suffering from mental confusion; Ohio congressmen and senators afflicted with a desease known as "party line" thinking; manufacturers all out to win the war (the war against the workers); much to do about guarding the "repusentatives of the peepul" with wooden guns and a host of other previous circumstance calculated to move to compassion the most stony-hearted.

Any one of the foregoing conditions would furnish material for many columns full of righteous wrath, however...

MRS. KNIGHT WINS DIVORCE

I have here before me a most lamentable news story entitled, "Mrs. Knight Wins Divorce."

This small item was buried, as is most news of consequence, deep in the paper next to an article entitled "Willkie Plans to Run Again." (Who is Willkie?")

I do not know Mrs. Knight, or, for that matter, Mr. Knight. She might be a shrew or an angel; he may be a drunkard or a model of perfection; but it isn't important that we know these details. This is what is important — Insofar as can be ascertained, Mrs. Knight was granted her divorce because her husband stood on his head in full dress in the Metropolitan Opera's lobby much to the amazement of the high-hatted stuffed shirts who frequent this "citadel of culture."

PIONEERING SPIRIT

Mr. Knight was blessed with the spirit of the pioneers.

Mr. Knight feared not the ridicule of the multitude.

Mr. Knight thumbed his nose at culture.

Mr. Knight belongs to that army of invincibles which thrives on scorn and which is known as the "unorthodox." Indeed, he has qualified for a Captaincy.

Imagine this gentlemen (and I picture him as a meek little fellow) being dragged off to have culture stuffed in his ears, immeasurably bored, not by the music which was undoubtedly excellent; but by the hypocricy, the pomp and circumstance of his surroundings. And then at last, one day upon entering the lobby of the Metropolitan, a terrible temptation seized him and with a devilish grin on his countenance, he upended himself and stood on his head! I would give much to know a man of this calibre.

The article goes on to state that Mrs. Knight was awarded care of their two minor children. Certainly, no judge in his right mind would entrust these two tender infants to the custody of such ar irresponsible individual as Mr. Knight had proven himself. Imagine these children going through life, with their playmates gathering in little groups and whispering, "Their daddy, he's the one who—".

WHAT BECAME OF KNIGHT

I catch myself wondering what ever became of Mr. Knight. Is he a broken, dejected man wandering the streets alone at night, shunned, despised, an outcast from the society which he has affronted? It is to be noted that Mr. Knight did not appear in court to contest the decree. Well he knew the futility of any defense on his part. He had ventured from the straight and narrow. He had desecrated the sanctum of the wealthy. He had committed the greatest of sacrileges.

Fear not, oh noble soul, for as you wander through the darkness, many kindred spirits march beside you, saluting, thumbs to nose, the shams of our humdrum existance. They are men, not sheep. They are not afraid to break new trails. They are not fettered by the shackles of stupid traditions, and you are one of them, for paradoxically, you have through this undignified act upheld the dignity of the individual. You have freed yourself from society's regimentation. HAIL TO THEE MR. KNIGHT. THOU ART A HERO.

In parting, I have but one thought that distrubs me:

Did you, or did you not remove your high silk hat before pressing your pate against the sacred Metropolitan pavement.

It's A Great System!

By JOHN PAINE

"Rickenbacker made himself an ACE in the first world war and an ASS in the second," comments president Sam Sage of Local 742, United Auto Workers (CIO) in Detroit.

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FREE SPEECH

Organizer Jack Ryan of Local 3, American Newspaper Guild (CIO), swears this is a true story:

One morning Guild members saw a police car draw up at the New York Sun, where they were distributing organizing leaflets. A police sergeant, wearing a van dyke beard, jumped out and entered the Sun building. When he returned, the Guildsmen wanted to know what was up. The officer replied:

"Aw, the management said you people were blocking the entrances. I told them you weren't. And then I asked them: 'Besides, you don't want to interfere with the freedom of the press, do you'?"

NEW YORK—Leaders in the AFL, CIO and railway brotherhoods have joined with representatives of the European labor movement residing in the U. S. to form the American Labor Conference on Intl. Affairs, AFL president William Green announced.

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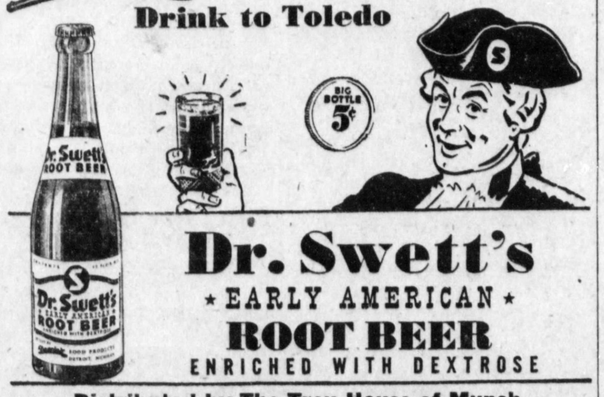

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"UNITED WE STAND"

Entered at the Toledo, Ohio post office as second class matter under the act of Aug. 24, 1912.

Grasping After Straws

Attempts of the AF of L to secure NLRB approval for an election at Aviation Products division of the Electric Auto-Lite, represents a futile grasping after a straw by a labor organization which seeks in vain to retain the worker's confidence which has been irreparably lost to it.

Workers at Aviation Products are no different than those of many other Toledo plants which have repudiated the AF of L in every election contest and voted in favor of the UAW-CIO. Workers nowadays are enlightened to the point where actions and not promises and words enlist their support and win their confidence.

In the UAW, workers see democratic, dynamic, militant, progressive organization conscious of what it is doing and going forward to a goal, the goal of security for which every worker strives.

In the AF of L, workers recognize an undemocratic, dictatorial and senile organization tottering on the verge of destruction because it is intellectually bankrupt, and shot through and through with blinded leaders who are living upon the reflected glories of past greatness.

This senile wreck of what was once a great labor organization now purports to organize and protect Aviation Products employes when it cannot save itself from decay, a move which would be laughable were it not so pathetic.

Aviation Products workers do not need, nor will they accept the type of "protection" offered by the AF of L, for they are aware that their interests lie not with a decadent and recumbent labor organization which has seen better days; but with a dynamic and democratic organization, the UAW-CIO, which truly represents the real interest of all the workers.

A dying man, even when the last coma of approaching death is upon him, unconsciously fights for the breath to keep life within himself. So it is with the AF of L—It fights for a life which is fast ebbing but which is surely slipping away. Aviation Products is but additional evidence that hope springs eternal in the AF of L breast.

Our Soldiers Say

Letters received from Local 12 men in the armed services give us every assurance that propaganda dished out by anti-labor forces have had no effect on the morale of the soldiers but, on the contrary, have aroused their resentment.

We are told by our Union men who are fighting to preserve the Four Freedoms that they have no more trust now in the so-called free press than they did when they were in civilian life, and they thank their Union which has taught them to be able to distinguish truth from lying propaganda.

Every indication points to the fact that once the war is won, our men will return to us better Uinon men than ever, for this war is giving them a practical illustration of the need for unity, and teaches the lesson that proper planning and working together in a holy cause are the principal ingredients without which true victory cannot be won.

Walter Gunthrup

We regret the resignation of Walter Gunthrup, who has served as editor of the Union Leader since 1930.

As an advocate of labor unity, Mr. Gunthrup's editorial career in recent years must have indeed been an unhappy and stormy one, for his organization, unable to stem the tide to industrial unionism under the CIO has sought to use the time-worn formula of the enemies of labor, "divide and rule".

In losing Walter Gunthrup's progressive and democratic influence, the cause of labor unity loses a true friend and sincere advocate.

We wish Brother Gunthrup every success and sincerely hope that his future will bring him the peace and contentment which his work in the labor movement entitles him to.

Washington Scene

By VIRGINIA GARDNER

SOCIAL REFORM AND WAR

To date the obstructionists are making us play their game. The progressive, prolabor forces behind the administration haven't organized the counter-offensive which is needed to turn the majority's attention away from the diversions created by the comparative few, back toward winning the war against Hitler and Hirohito.

Virginia Gardner

"You can't fight two wars," say the defeatist congressmen. "You can't institute social reform and fight the war abroad at the same time."

"You can't fight two wars," echo the Washington correspondents solemnly. This is in their lighter moments in the congenial society of each other in the inner sanctum of the Press club. Not that I am there. No women are allowed. But I hear reports. They knock the ashes out of their pipes and add, "Can't have social revolution and fight a war."

You can't fight two wars, they say. So they make us fight two wars—their way. You can't have social revolution and a war. But you can have a revolution all legal and nice brought about by congress, a revolution which throws out everything the New Deal has fought for, all labor's gains, and — something that doesn't occur to them—the very stuff with which to win the war.

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INCREDIBLE WASHINGTON

The whole Washington scene is so incredible that it is difficult to remember that elsewhere workers are turning out arms and ships and tanks and planes, that the people outside congressional halls are taking the war seriously. It's hard to recall that things happen, things get done, other than words.

Here, too, some congressmen take it seriously and work to try to stem the tide of reaction and hate for Roosevelt, hate for labor, fear for their own entrenched positions, that possess the bosses of the defeatist congresmen.

There is great danger in underestimating some of the old congressional hacks who are undermining the war effort. They are garrulous, leisurely. They grind out a speech for the Congressional Record while their fellows walk away or sit and read a newspaper or talk in groups. I'm always expecting one of them to pull out a pack of cards and play solitaire, or absently take out his false teeth. After all, it's only the congress of the United States, where our laws are made and which our children are taught to revere.

HOW IT'S DONE

Over his breakfast table, or hanging on a strap on his way to work, the American citizen next morning reads solemn columns about how some congressman inveighs against the dangers of centralizied government and the crackpotism of bureaucracy.

Then suddenly there is a bill, passed into law—and the worker finds he has an added tax to pay, or less food to eat for the money because parity has become parity-plus, or something else which doesn't seem to have much relation to the seemingly innocuous men in congress who talk nonsense while their fellows pare their fingernails, leave the room or at least stare at Clare Luce's latest hairdo.

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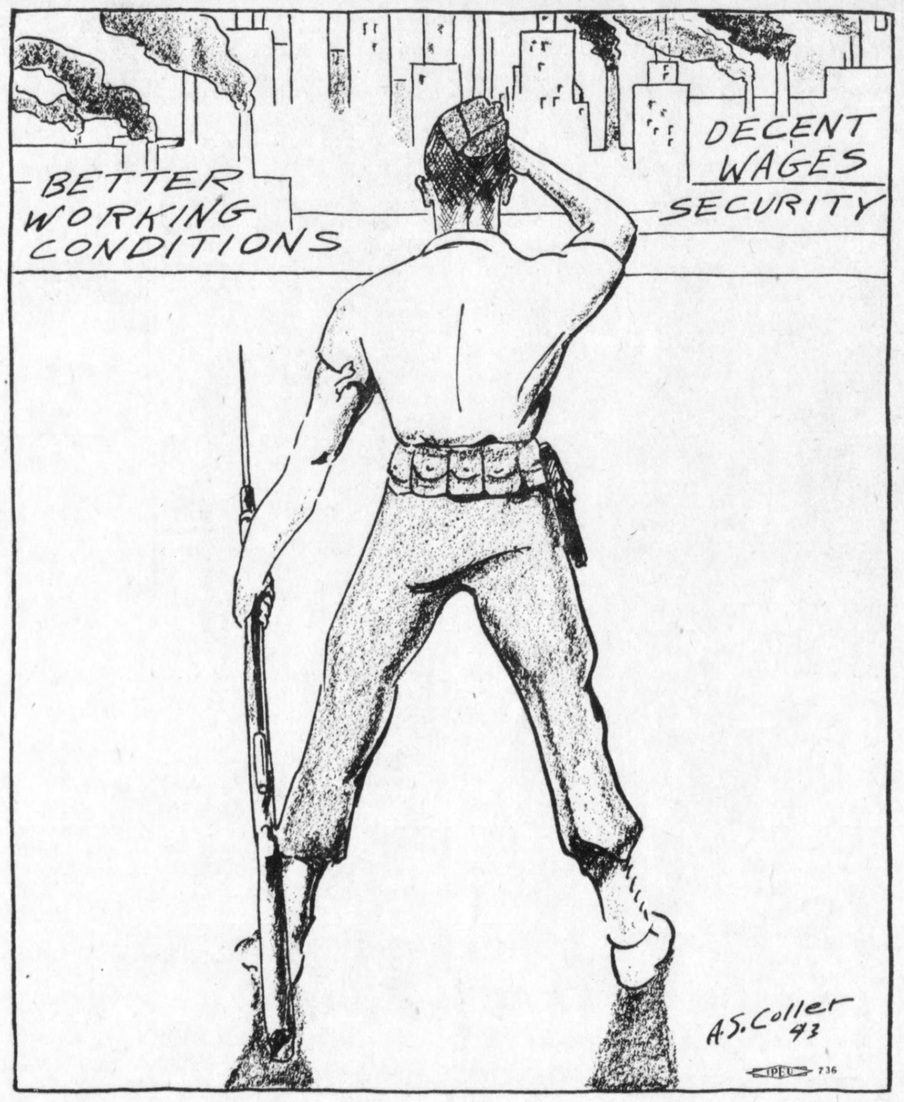
THEY ARE SENSITIVE

Behind their garrulity and their comfortable, almost folksy ways of doing business, the Cottons Eds and the Byrds and Coxes and Smiths and Hoffmans and Wheelers are playing a crafty game. They are keeping the administration on the run—keeping heads of agencies before them in repetitious investigations, holding up appropriations while with fatuous smiles of approval they listen to strings of witnesses brought in by lobbyists to attack price control, attack production plans for agriculture, attack rationing, attack labor—anything that allows them to keep the offensive.

But they are sensitive to attack. The decision to abstain from asking Edward Rickenbacker to testify on absenteeism before the house naval affairs shows that. Organized labor has made the legislators who failed to stop his speech in Albany far too uncomfortable.

Something To Come Home To



It's News to Me

By O. J. PECORD

WHAT ABOUT INCENTIVE

For years, we have been keenly interested in the argument about incentive, not in the abstract; but as some of the big business interests use it to justify their practices.

Incentive is some compelling motive which causes people to do the things they do. Thus, according to the definition of the United States Chamber of Commerce, the NAM and similar groups of philanthropists, there is but one major incentive and that is to amass profits and through profits to control the lives of others.

O. J. Pecord

But that can't possibly be all there is to incentive. What about the mothers of the great men who grow up with a materialistic philosophy which claims that nothing so activates men as the jingle of coins and the crisp rustling of currency and check book pages? What incentive did the mothers of these apostles of the creed of greed have?

MOTIVES MAKE MEN

What about the incentive that caused Angelo to paint pictures, Beethoven to compose his music, Thomas Aquinas to write his philosophy, Edgar Allen Poe to compose his works, Pasteur to discover bacteria, Lavoisier to study the chemical elements? What is it that motivates the scientist, the inventor, the artist and the philosopher to traverse the uncharted seas of the mind and the spirit? Certainly, it is not the incentive of materialistic greed.

If the incentive which our Crawfords and Rickenbackers and Peglers and other intellectual giants of materialism had ruled the world, we would still be living in caves and the humanities and decencies of civilized life would still be among the unborn dreams of the visionaries Utopia.

IDEAS MAKE PROGRESS

Human progress lies not in the realm of materialistic acquisition used by the few to enslave the many; but in the realm of ideas.

Is Frederick Crawford a greater man because he knows how to control men than the unknown scientist who gazes through his telescope and tells a few interested people that on Feb. 8 beginning at 11:00 p. m. a total eclipse of the moon will begin and will reach totality at 12:35 a. m.?

Is the president of a great holding company a greater prophet because he controls stocks and bonds of thousands of people than a poorly paid technician gazing through a microscope at a blood smear who comes up with a diagnosis of lymphatic Leukemia and knows it is incurable?

Who was a greater man, Bismarck or Schiller? When the Hobbs and the Johnson of the U. . Congress have their mouths stopped with dirt and the grass grows on their forgotten graves, people will still visit the birthplace of the eternal Shakespeare.

When Hoover and Harding are completely forgotten except by students of the strange and disjointed era of American transition, Lincoln's words will still be burned into the hearts and minds of millions of people.

WHO SHALL LIVE?

What fools we mortals be to chase after the mirage, the foolish fantasy of wealth and power and control over our fellowmen, when the only true and lasting satisfaction that can come to man is in faithful service to our fellowmen.

And so, what is this incentive about which the powerful talk; and for which they sacrifice all, even the right to the respect and admiration of their fellow humans?

Incentive, the dollar chasing, power craving incentive is but a figment of absurdity, a chasing after the impossible, the attainment of which turns to ashes in the mouths of those who can win material success only to lose it. Success is not measured in dollars and cents but in the achievement of man. He who contributes even in the slightest amount to the happiness and well being and security of his fellow man has the only true incentive, for only from this can come the comfort and satisfaction of having lived well and for having given good account of our stewardship.

Editor's Mail

ON BEHALF OF THE POLICE

As a former member of the Toledo Police Department, I want to thank you for your writeup of several weeks ago relative to our underpaid police. It's about time somebody went to bat for our underpaid city employes, and I know of no better paper to do it than The Toledo Union Journal.

ABE M'LAUGHLIN,
662 W. Capistrano,
Willys-Overland Unit.

Letters From Servicemen

Dear Dick, Brothers and Sisters:

Well, here it is another night in camp but things will be a little more enjoyable because I received your box at tonight's mail call. I felt very appreciative to know that somebody at home is still thinking of me. Maybe some of the boys in Department 307 thought it too much to give such a small sum of a quarter a week, but if they could just put themselves in anyone's shoes who is in the service, they would soon realize how much it means to get a remembrance from home. I don't know how to begin to thank you for all the things that were inside the box. but will take this opportunity of showing my appreciation.

As you probably would like to know where I am at and what I am doing, I will take this time to inform you. I am in the Anti-Aircraft Coast Artillery of the Eastern Defense Command, and located at Greenpoint which is a suburb of Brooklyn, New York. At the present I am acting in the capacity of Acting Supply Sergeant. I have sent my application in already for Officers' Candidate School. If I get my letter of acceptance I will be leaving about the first of March. I would again like to thank you for the box, but above all just keep the war supplies rolling and maybe I will be able to come back one of these days and thank you in person.

I guess it is about time I signed off as I have to type a few reports that have to be into headquarters by eight o'clock in the morning, Wednesday.

Very truly yours,
Pvt. Herbert Powder,
Btry. "D" 602nd C. A. (AA),
Flushing, N. Y.

Mr. Richard Gosser,

You helped my wife get a job at the Overland and I want to show my appreciation by writing this letter.

I joined the CIO in 1938 when the union first started at Laclede Christy Clay Products, and as far as I am concerned, Local 12 is the best union in the United States.

The way the fellows stick together in the union and in the armed forces is what will make this war end that much quicker.

I'll have to close for this time wishing you lots of luck and keep the CIO the strongest union in the world.

Thanks for the help in getting the wife of a service man a job.

A strong union member
Roland Weslie Hartsel, A. S.
Co. 159, U. S. N. T. S.
Great Lakes, Illinois

What's New

EDWARD J. DUCK
Educational Director
Local 12 UAW-CIO

"YOUR STAKE IN CAPITALISM"

Eric Johnston's philosophy on labor-management cooperation is indeed a revelation to those who have had occasion to deal with illwilled and arbitrary managements.

Edward Duck

The new president of United States Chamber of Commerce may likely find himself being pushed out of an open window by his business associates who unfortunately are less progressive and consequently more mossbacked than he, for this man definitely has ideas in which the working man and the welfare of the people are actually considered. At least, this is the impression one receives from his resent article on economics, ethics and whatnot.

NO BLANKET ENDORSEMENT

This is not a blanket endorsement of Eric Johnston nor his article. And it certainly is in no sense intended as either salve or pardon for the unpardonable actions of the Chamber of Commerce, either nationally or locally, concerning their anti-social and anti-collective bargaining movements.

But, by and large, Eric Johnston has expressed a much better philosophy than any of his predecessors or present business associates has ever formulated or made known.

And it is encouraging to know that Mr. Johnston admonishes his business cohorts for their stubborn refusal to face the truth and recognize collective bargaining as something which is definitely here to stay. He even goes so far as to cite the value of labor-management committees, which brings to mind the cases of certain local industrialists who declared that just about everything concerning the Company's business was none of the workers' affairs.

BE CAUTIOUS

I am not one to be taken in by sweet nothings, especially when coming from the lips of those who have a selfish interest at stake, therefore I believe that Labor should not leave itself wide open for later attacks.

Mr. Johnston's philosophy of capitalism is certainly not without its flaws, and it is written from the businessman's standpoint. Nevertheless it expresses many fine ideas and some good principles, which in my opinion makes this piece of literature stand out from just about anything that has ever come from this organization.

PREACHING AND PRACTICE

But it is one thing to preach cooperation and another to cooperate. Perhaps what endeared me most of all to this article was the viewpoint which, in effect stated that "the best government is the least government".

Johnston offered the proposition that business do not have jails, but governments do have them, and this brings to mind the utter futility of trying to escape, once you have been "sandbagged" by the government or by one of its agencies.

There are so many things wrong with the WLB, for instance, and with its "Little Steel Formula" in particular, that you can get the idea quite readily. It isn't Roosevelt's fault, but someone has made a terrific farce out of the "stabilization" program. Nothing has been stabilized, inequalities have actually been created, price ceilings are a myth; but wage ceilings are a reality.

But more about that next week. Today, hats off to a propressive businessmar But we're watching you, Eric, so don't slip or it will be fatal, so far as we're concerned!

Dear Dick,

I received another package from Local 12 last week. The committee in charge of these packages certainly knows its business; the selection of articles in my package could not have been better made if the committee had had my foot locker in front of them so that they could see exactly what I needed.

I want to thank you people for these excellent packages, and aso for the immediate attention which was given my request that you give my wife a chance at the aircraft training school.

Yours truly,
Sergt. Earl S. Clifton
Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Anti-Union Legislation

by Melvin Schultz,
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO.

HOSTILE LEGISLATION

Anti-labor legislation is being dumped into the Washington legislative hopper so rapidly that it is becoming difficult to keep track of it.

Nor is the Washington hopper the only one that it being loaded with dynamite for the workers, for in Columbus and many of the other state capitals, anti-labor legislation is mounting up and we find ourselves paying a dear price for our lack of vigilance at the last election.

Melvin Schultz

On another page of today's Toledo Union Journal, you will find a list of bills now in committee hearings in Washington or on the floor of the House of Representatives. Please read the bills and then follow the instructions and send letters to your congressman and U. S. senators asking them to vote against the bills which are opposed to our interests as workers.

JOHNSON BILL

One of the bad bills which are now in hearing is the Johnson bill aimed at curing absenteeism.

This bill has the backing of Admiral Land of the U. S. Shipping Board and would, if passed, work a hardship and injustice on workers. Under its terms, any worker in a plant with a Navy contract would be reported to his local draft board, if, without prior permission he failed to show up for work. The implications of this bill are very far-reaching and would be a distinctly bad thing for labor.

We are opposed to absenteeism and have repeatedly said so, however, I doubt very much if the bill would do more than create a serious antagonism which would be detrimental to the worker's morale and therefore to the war effort.

AUSTIN WADSWORTH BILL

Another bill now in hearing before the house committee is the Austin-Wadsworth bill to draft labor.

This bill should be opposed by all organized labor despite the fact that Sec'y. of War Stimson has gone on record as favoring it. There should be no need to explain why organized labor is opposed to this bill which even War Manpower Commissioner McNutt is opposed to.

Write letters to Congressman Ramey, Senators Harold Burton and Robt. Taft and secretary of War Stimson protesting the bill and ask the senators and Congressman Ramey to vote against it, if and when it is reported out of committee.

Do not feel that your letter will not count, for if thousands of letters reach our representatives, they will be most hesitant to vote in favor of the bill which you are opposed to.

Take an interest in the political activities committee, which under present conditions takes an increasingly more important part in shaping the future. Let's work together to protect ourselves from hostile legislation which has no other excuse for existing than to repress labor and handicap it under conditions which are already a serious impediment to labor.

Regional Views

By RICHARD GOSSER,
Regional Director, UAW-CIO

ABSENTEEISM

Evidence on all sides tends to show that absenteeism is not quite as great a detriment to the war effort as the enemies of labor would like to make it appear, nevertheless, we know that it is a factor and recognize it in our efforts to aid the war effort.

Richard Gosser

Governmental authorities as well as some of the more enlightened employers recognize the fact that work, even such an important piece of work as making war materiels, requires some incentive other than the usual hourly rates paid the workers.

Incentive which has been used by the employers as their stimulus to invest money, produce goods and compete with their fellow-manufacturers, is just as great a motive to workers who are every bit as human as their employers. Thus, we find that insurance and other companies who employe salesmen frequently increase their sales by offering a worth-while bonus to the salesmen who show the greatest per cent increase in sales. The reward may consist of a gold wrist watch or a trip to Washington with all expenses paid.

PREMIUM PAY

No less authority than the Wages and Hour administration has gone or record to the effect that premium pay for overtime and Sunday work has contributed to cut down absenteeism, and that the reducible amount of absenteeism is rapidly reaching the point where it approaches the minimum.

A recent case of a Lima plant using a bank night idea to promote better work attendance is a case in point. This plant places all the workers badge or clock numbers on tickets and places the tickets in a container. Each week a ticket is drawn from the container, and the one whose clock number corresponds with the ticket wins $50 provided he did not miss a day during the previous work week. In the event that the one's whose clock number was drawn was ineligible for the prize because of absenteeism, the amount goes to a jackpot for the following week's drawing which goes to $100.

REWARD ALL

This plan may work out satisfactory; but for my own part, I would prefer to see the element of luck and chance eliminated and reward all those who faithfully attended their work.

So far, it seems that the plan of giving premium pay is the best to stimulate the workers to faithfully attend their work, which is about the best argument I know of for the manufacturers to cease their attacks upon the overtime pay arrangements unless they wish to destroy in the workers the same incentive which they are so fond of advocating for themselves.

As an example, I would recommend that an hourly bonus of 10 cents per hour be paid to workers who put in their full work week. This would prove a definite boon and I am positive would put an end to all preventable absenteeism.

Building A Peaceful World

By Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt

One of the great lessons we Americans will have to learn if we ever hope to build a better foundation for peace is that human beings the world over have to be approached as human beings and not as members of a race or as adherents of a certain religion—but just as people whom you may like or dislike according to their individual characteristics.

I may be a Chinese, an Arab, a Jew, an Indian, a Negro, a German, a Frenchman or a Britisher—still I must be evaluated, If I am to be fairly judged, on the basis of being just a human being.

We have never done this in the world before—and we have never had peace in the world thus far.

Freedom From Fear

One of our four freedoms states that we shall have "freedom from fear." Freedom from fear, of course, means that the world over, people will be protected from aggression, people will be protected from persecution because of their race or their religion.

People will be safeguarded from hunger and want, too, by an economy which takes into consideration the basic needs of all the people, the world over.

If that is going to become a reality, then the first thing we have to do is to learn to meet our fellow human beings, recognizing the fact that we will not love all of them, but we will love some, and we must get on with all, regardless of difference of race or creed.

Those who are evil will have to be restrained. We do that in our own countries everywhere.

The Chinese philosopher, Lin Yutang, says in substance, in a recent article, that our moral attitudes the world over are the important factors, not what we know or what we have, but our ability to choose between right and wrong. This may be the basis on which we shall have to develop some of our future cooperation.

Our boys in Africa and in the Solomon Islands deal with natives who haven't yet had a chance to develop a very high type of civilization. These boys are going a step beyond their first contacts in Great Britain and Australia, and wide differences will develop, but the beginning of the development is in Great Britain.

If we can build on the good will which Great Britain has toward us at the moment (largely brought about because, in the trials through which the British have gone, the generosity of the American people has made them grateful) we will be beginning a new era in the world.

Generous, Not Sacrificial

Over here, it is hard to understand just what certain things have meant to Great Britain, because while we have given money which has sent mobile canteens, ambulances, medical supplies, clothing, food, etc., in great quantities to Great Britain, we were only being generous, not sacrificial.

We have sent old clothes, but they were things we could do without. However, the people who received them over there could not do without them.

A woman in a London crowd, for instance, one day plucked at my sleeve and said, "My little girl would have been cold if it had not been for the warm clothes the children of America sent us."

The British people show their gratitude by wanting to do things for our American soldiers. They realize that our coming into the war is a great help to their own boys who have fought in all parts of the world for the past three years. But their gratitude goes deeper than that: it touches the lives of everyone in that group of islands.

It calls out a traditional feeling which I think is ingrained in the people of the United States and in the people of Great Britain—if we have received something, we want to make a return, at least in good will.

This is a basis on which I believe we can readily and permanently build.

Well, to be really effective, the United Nations will have to build among the people of all the nations an understanding such as is now growing between the people of Great Britain and the people of the United States.

It will be slow, but the building of a peaceful world is not something to be accomplished by the writing of a treaty. It takes time to work ou the relationships of men and women, but if we hope for peace, it must be done. And I think a good beginning has been made.

Three's A Crowd

Ann Southern provokes many a laugh in the current main feature at the Valentine Theatre in "Three Hearts for Julia". She has three sweathearts which complicates the eternal triangle into a square which hands every audience a round of laughs. Melvyn Doughlas, Lee Bowman and Richard are the sweethearts. On the same program is United Artists' "Friendly Eenemies," with Charles Winninger, Charles Ruggles, James Craig and Nancy Kelly playing the principal roles.

Railroad President Disagrees With Rickenbacker

By Federated Press

MENPHIS, Tenn.—Indorsement of overtime pay and a flat statement that "the greatest economy is well paid and satisfied workers" came from a railway executive here at a time when Eddie Rickenbacker and other tories were blasting unions for carrying out the railroad man's beliefs.

President Fitzgerald Hall of the Nashville Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway made the statements in the course of an interview here. He criticized unions for what he called "too much specialization," but added that "unions are not all bad."

Torpedoed Seamen To Answer Rickenbacker

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—The next time Eddie Rickenbacker mouths his line about labor's unwillingness to sacrifice, he will be refuted by a section of labor which has felt the real impact of the war on the front lines—merchant seamen who have survived torpedo disasters.

The Natl. Maritime Union (CIO) voted to ask all its members throughout the country who have had ships blown out from under them by the enemy to attend every meeting where Rickenbacker speaks to expose his slanderous attacks on labor. The NMU is also asking all other labor groups to join with them.

Landlords' Field Day Envisioned

Tenants Would Get Gouging

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—The latest bill to wreck OPA rent control being pushed by the landlords and the reactionaries in congress would extend the landlords' paradise that is the nation's capital over the entire country.

Washington Pattern for Nation

Pictured in countless jokes that have swept the country as the essence of callous landlords, Washington apartment house owners and hotel and boarding house keepers now may preen themselves as perfect examples.

HR1877, introduced by Rep. Edward V. Izac (D. Cal.), would make Washington the pattern of the whole nation. Washington has its own rent control regulations, outside of OPA's control, and it was from looking about here that OPA learned, for instance, that registration of landlords would be a good thing. The district has no registration. Consequently, enforcement is a matter for prayer and goodwill. The bill envisions this happy state as nationwide.

The fresh approach in the Izac bill, the unexpectedness of considering Washington an example of anything in the way of municipal government, improves its chances of passing.

Other new bills attacking rent control are by Rep. Mathew H. Ellsworth (R.-Ore.), but the Crawford bill, against which the United Auto Workers (CIO) have been protesting, is still the most vicious of the seven rent control wrecking bills.

Judge Causes Crisis

Union representatives in South Bend, Ind., and Detroit have informed OPA here that a recent rulin of U. S. District Judge Thomas W. Slick at South Bend is being used by landlords to threaten wholesale increase of rents, spreading the rumor that all rent control is to be abandoned.

He dismissed a triple damage suit against a landlord who overcharged $10 a month and declared the rent control act was unconstitutional. It is the first such ruling. Several hundred cases in the lower courts have ended in fines for landlords. At Wichita, Kan., a three judge district federal court upheld the act in the Kimmell case. OPA will appeal Slick's ruling.

Hollywood Lot

By Ted Taylor

HOLLYWOOD—The gilt-edged labor-management conference was inaugurated when presidents and attorneys of major film companies invited representatives of the Screen Actors Guild (AFL) and of the Screen Writers Guild and Screen Directors Guild (unaffiliated) to discuss what to do about the $25,000 net salary limit.

From reports nothing much was decided, high hopes being held for the Disney rider to the appropriations bill. However, summaries were given of what the picture industry has done to help win the war by running victory films in the theaters, encouraging theatergoers to buy bonds and turn in salvage, sending stars out to sell bonds and entertain troops, etc.

One screen writer ventured a suggestion that an important field for consultation of writers and directors with movie management lay in the subject matter of motion pictures themselves.

The suggestion went no place, the producers having already appointed their own committee to confer with Lowell Mellett, motion picture chief of OWI, on such matters.

JILLS IN JEEP: The tour of army camps from England to Africa by Carole Landis, Martha Raye, Kay Francis and Mitzi Mayfair will be dramatized by 20th Century-Fox in a film called Four Jills in a Jeep. At least two of the glamour jills will play themselves in the picture, the Misses Landis and Raye being under contract to 20th-Fox.

ANY OL' HOUSES? The Hearst technique of buying foreign castles and taking them home is being adopted for movie sets. An ornate mansion is purchased outright, knocked down and shipped to Hollywood.

Universal purchased and dismantled the Mark Hopkins mansion at Menlo Park in this way, and Republic did the same with a palatial Pasadena residence.

OL' CLOTHES TOO: Warner Bros. has applied the technique to the enhancement of its wardrobe department. A collection of 30 dresses in storage 33 years since the death of Mrs. Susan Dreer Volkmer has been purchased to costume Ingrid Bergman in the picture Saratoga Trunk.

(There used to be stores on Hollywood side streets where garments discarded by movie stars were sold to the public. Looks as though the shoe was now on the other foot.)

SPEAKING OF SHOES: Now that shoes are rationed and precious, Paramount has furnished felt slippers to girls appearing in Let's Face It and instructed them to save wear and tear on shoes when not actually before the camera.

Clothes Hoarding Continues As Rationing Is Delayed

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—American clothing supplies were being rapidly depleted March 3 by panic hoarding which sent store sales soaring as much as 60% above a year ago.

Although warned by organized labor and consumer organizations weeks ago that experience in England has proved rationing to be the only way to stop hoarding, the Office of Price Administration and Office of War Information tried vainly to stop it by insisting there would be no rationing.

Counters Mobbed

Surveys by the Newspaper PM and the Wall Street Journal emphasized the seriousness of the rush to hoard clothes. New York stores, interviewed by PM, said their clothing counters were being virtually mobbed. The financial newspaper reported the same situation, or worse, in every major American city.

The Federal Reserve Bank reported that department store sales were up 32% the week ending Feb. 20 but reports from individual cities showed increases ranging from 13% in New York to 60% in Washington.

OPA Chief Prentiss Brown in Washington insisted that rationing was not necessary because there is no shortage of textiles or clothing to make it necessary. This is contradicted by the results of a survey of clothing buyers and an analysis of textile production by the Textile Workers Union (CIO) reported Jan. 13 by Federated Press and again confirmed by buyers in a Wall Street Journal survey Feb. 26.

Hoarding Continues

Typical of how hoarders are hogging the available supplies is a story in the March 2 Women's Wear Daily from Dallas, Tex., reporting that one woman purchased 16 suits, another woman $1,000 worth of hosiery and one man 12 suits.

One clue as to who is responsible for the delay in rationing may be found in a 7-column ad which Lord & Taylor, large department store, published in The New York Times March 3, offering to wager $5,000 that clothing would NOT be rationed.

Cotton Ed Borrows Clare's Goebbeloney

Waste Busy Department Heads Time

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—For two and one half hours Price Administrator Prentiss Brown and Deputy Administrator Kenneth Galbraith, who had been called by Chairman Ellison D. (Cotton Ed) Smith of the senate agriculture committee to testify on meat, waited. Cotton Ed then adjourned the hearing without calling on them.

He heard independent packers, including Atty. Wilbur LaRoe, Jr., of Washington, for the Natl. Independent Meat Packers Assn., who after complaining bitterly of OPA's "unfair quota system" and price ceilings threatening ruin to small packers, received such sympathetic treatment from Cotton Ed he found himself defending OPA.

Can't See Why

"I can't see why," said Cotton Ed, "under this situation that's said to be so terrible—with an abundance of cattle on foot—why there are any quotas given out. Just say, process all you can, we'll take so much for the army, navy, the world, globaloney—"

He paused, looked about for expected admiration on the faces of the packers, and saw the slightly pained look on LaRoe's. Although a South Carolina packer was in the act of testifying, LaRoe leaped to his feet and explained, "You see, you can slaughter all the meat you want for the army. The quotas are to protect the army!"

"So the civilians can go to the devil," grumbled Cotton Ed. "We feed our allies and our army and the civilians get scraps."

Brown tried to speak on the shortage of supply compared to the demand despite the abundance of cattle being slaughtered, but Smith dismissed him with a wave of the hand and the words: "After these witnesses, I want these men from the government to say why we have to send so much to England."

Another Queen

This comely miss is one of the main attractions at the current Capitol Theatre offering, "Queen of Hearts". The management of the Capitol Theatre is cooperating with the Local 12 Political Activities Committee in sponsoring a theatre party March 31 at the Capitol.

P. A. C. Sponsors Theatre Party

Committee Plans For Big Turnout

Political Activities Committee of Local 12 is planning a theatre party to be held at the Capital theatre, March 31 for members of the Local and their friends.

Chairman George O'Henry of the entertainment committee promises a better than average show details of which will be announced in next week's edition of the Union Journal.

Purpose of the theatre party is to raise funds for the Political Activities Committee to carry on its legislative work in Columbus.

Girls! Wanna Join The WAVES?

Betty Poggemeyer, Seaman Second Class in the WAVES, who visited her parents in Genoa recently while on leave, compiled a list of civilian fields from which the WAVES are being enlisted. She is enrolled in the University of Wisconsin for further WAVES training in communications and will be ready in a few months to take over a full-time job at some Navy base or station to release a man for sea duty. In the meantime, she has found time to assemble this list of trades and occupations which may qualify women in the WAVES for their jobs in the Navy.

Position Open

The Navy is interested in women from 20 to 36 who have been in work like the following:

Dental technicians, duplicating machine operators, librarians, receptionists and information desk girls, animated cartoonists, mechanical draftsman, licensed radio operators, telephone and telegraph operators, X-ray technicians, physiotherapy and occupational therapy technicians, tailors and fabric workers, welders, metal workers, wood craftsmen, chauffeurs, first aid and home nursing experts, pharmacists, home economics experts and office assistants of all kinds.

Booklets are now available which give full information about enlistment in the WAVES. Copies may be had at the Navy Recruiting Station, 715 Adams Street, opposite the Court House.

Ruml Plan Would Pauperize Workers

Soak Worker, Be Good to Rich Plan of Congress

NEW YORK — Present congressional tax proposals, with the Ruml plan wearing a false beard and calling itself a new 20% withholding tax, would leave a worker earning $40 a week in 1943 with only $16.80 in his pocket in terms of pre-war cash.

Those are the bare facts revealed here by expert tax consultants who paint the picture thus:

Present social security taxes 40c; the socalled Victory Tax, $1.40; 10% war bond deductions, $4; other taxes, $4.80. Add to that the proposed $8 witholding tax proposed by Rep. Frank Carlson (R.-Kans.), original sponsor of the Ruml plan, and you have $21.40 left. But living costs have shot up at least 22%, even more in some communities. That leave $16.80 with which the $40-a-week worker can pay his rent, light, gas heating and try to buy food and clothing for his family.

Gifts for the Corporation

All this, while the congressional tories are planning to make a gift of five billion dollars in back taxes to 1½% of all the taxpayers—the large corporations and the 9,000 individuals who had a million dollar income or more in 1942.

Carlson admitted that he was trying to shove this 5-billion-dollar burden on the workers when he introduced the new 20% tax as a "revision" of his Ruml bill.

Here is what a worker earning $40 would pay weekly under Carlson's plan as compared to his present tax (exclusive of victory tax):

Class	Ruml-Carlson	Present Income Tax
Married 2 dependents....	$8.00	$ .20
Married, 1 dependent....	8.00	1.40
Married, no dependents..	8.00	2.80

Under a plan proposed by labor, he would pay less than the present tax. Labor's tax plan, based on the ability to pay, would increase present exemptions from $500 to $800 for single persons, from $1,200 to $1,500 for married persons, and from $350 to $400 for each dependent. It could be accomplished in this congress if pressure from back home were sufficient, both the AFL and CIO have said.

Labor Favors Pay-As-You-Go Plan

The labor plan favors pay-as-you-go, but not the 20% variety, nor the kind which would forgive the five billion owed by the big taxpayers. The labor program is now before congress in a bill introduced by Rep. Charles Robertson (R.-N. D.).

The labor plan would mean that a single person with an income of $2,500 or less would pay no 1942 tax, a married person with an income of $3,200 or less would pay no 1942 tax, and a married person with one child making less than $3,550 would pay no tax for 1942. That way, everyone might go on pay-as-you-go quickly and without overburdening low income groups,

Labor's News In Brief

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Public Member Wayne L. Morse of the Natl. War Labor Board found the decision to give no general increase to southern California aircraft workers and a 4½c increase to Boeing workers "inconsistent with the wage stabilization policies of the board." Morse joined the labor members in voting against the decision.

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WASHINGTON—The U. S. Supreme court in a historic decision set aside the conviction of the eight Intl. Union of Mine Mill & Smelter Workers (CIO) members in the Ducktown, Tenn., frameup. The men were convicted Feb. 3, 1941, sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment and fined $11,000 each.

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WASHINGTON—Chairman Carl Vinson (D.-Ga.) of the house naval affairs committee backed down on his invitation to Eddie Rickenbacker to estify in public hearings on absenteeism, but denied he had been influenced by protests of labor.

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WASHINGTON—Sec. of War Henry L. Stimson indorsed the Austin-Wadsworth bill to draft labor in a letter to Chairman Robert R. Reynolds (D.-N. C.), of the military affairs committee and urged its prompt passage by congress.

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NEW YORK—Complete labor unity in the immediate future was forecast by 2nd AFL vice president Matthew Woll and president Sidney Hillman of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (CIO) at a luncheon here, launching a united drive to raise $4,000,000 for war relief by AFL, CIO and railroad unions.

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Local 12 UAW Announces Annual Headpin Tournament

To Be Held At Pal-A-Drome

Local 12, UAW annual headpin tournament, which proved so popular last year will be held again this year in a three-day session at the Pal-A-Drome alleys, Avondale and Junction Aves. Dates set for the tournament are March 19, 20 and 21. The tournament, so popular last year, has been arranged at the request of many of the bowlers who took part in last year's tournament.

Wally Zawodny of the Willys-Overland, who took first place and 35 green bucks home with him last year, is out for a repeat this year and is making bets that he will come through again.

Entries are open only to members of Local 12 and its affiliated units. A top prize of $50 is guaranteed, with other prizes scaled down in accordance with the size of the entry list.

Local 12 All-Star League is composed of the following teams: Willys-Overland, Auto-Lite, Spicer, Acklin, Champion, Klopping, National Supply and Mather Spring.

Hours for rolling are as follows:

Friday March 19—9:30 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Saturday, March 20—1 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Sunday, March 21—1 p. m. to 12 midnight.

In order to enter the headpin classic, present your Local 12 membership card. Fill out the entry blank and send or bring it to Local 12. In the event that you are not particular about a time to roll, come to the alleys at one of the given times and take your chances in getting on the alleys.

Michigan To Watch Trout Streams

LANSING, Mich.—Conservation department fisheries men will keep a close watch over the first few days' fishing on Michigan's "made" trout lakes again this April, collecting facts and figures from which the need for special regulation may be judged.

These lakes, converted from ordinary waters into trout lakes by chemical treatment and restocking, were fished so heavily at the season opening a year ago that a few persons removed 40 to 70 per cent of the planted fish in the first few days. Since management of inland lakes is primarily for sport, the conservation department is considering recommending the daily creel limit on these made trout lakes be reduced from 15 to five, to permit more anglers to share the fishing.

WASHINGTON — President R. J. Thomas of the United Auto Workers (CIO), a labor member of the Natl. War Labor Board, charged that Acting Chairman George W. Taylor of the board is misinterpreting the socalled Little Steel formula to mean an absolute wage freeze. The board never intended that, "for in any subsequent decision or act of congress is there any justification for freezing wages," said Thomas.

Weekly Sports Review

By JACK GREEN.

BARNEY ROSS

Barney Ross, former lightweight champion and outstanding hero in the Pacific warfare, is recovering from his wounds in San Diego. Barney made good on his promise when he kissed the U. S. A. soil on his return.

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Jack Green

JIMMY REEVES

Jimmy Reeves who meets Jackie LaMotte at the Olympia in Detroit, March 19, has two wins over Jackie. Let's wait and see what happens this time.

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JACK JOHNSON

The greatest heavyweight champion of the colored race until Joe Louis, failed to pass a physical examination at Los Angeles due to a weak heart. Jack wanted to fight some three round exhibitions with picked opponents. Jack probably needs few more nickles to replenish the Johnson larder, because Jack was never renowned for his thriftiness.

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BIVANS-MARUELLO

Jimmy Bivans meets the highly touted Taums Maruello at Madison Square Garden, March 12. If Bivans can make the grade on this one, you can look forward to him becoming heavyweight champion sooner or later.

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BREAKING A JINX

Without their two leading stars, Minor and Grove, the University of Toledo broke a jinx of long standing when they defeated Long Island University in Madison Square Garden last week. They went over to Philadelphia to smother LaSalle University to prove that it was no fluke victory. The University squad has been invited to take part in the playoffs in the Garden.

If Minor's broken wrist heals up in time there is a possibility the Toledo U boys might hit the jackpot.

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Fighting Zivics

The fighting blood of the five Zivics could not give Fritzie Zivic enough courage and strength to stand off the barrage of lefts and rights Beau Jack threw at him in a 12 round bout at Madison Square Garden. Beau took the match and the ten minute war bond sale at the fight netter $190,000 for Uncle Sam.

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T. U. WINS CONFERENCE TITLE

Toledo University won the Ohio Conference Title and produced one of the greatest teams that has been seen around these parts in a long time. For a bunch of kids considered green when they started, the U boys certainly did a real job of it.

Answers to Sport Quiz

1. Briggs Stadium
2. Braves' Field
3. Crosley Field
4. Shibe Park
5. Griffith Stadium
6. Comiskey Park
7. Sportsmans Park
8. Fenway Park
9. Ebbets Field
10. Forbes Field

Bowling Scores

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Burdo	122	121	126—369
Riley	170	158	112—440
Mills	112	139	143—394
Williams	99	129	125—353
Handicap	112	112	112—
	732	812	741—

Nighthawks

H. Lorenz	124	93	129—346
H. Klanecki	149	150	190—489
W. Penn	156	162	154—472
C. Wrayton	174	152	128—454
J. McKnight	161	161	161—483
	764	718	762—

No. 2 Machine Shop

E. Greene	131	189	167—487
L. Angel	176	138	136—450
H. Gowman	191	144	171—506
N. Hoerig	155	151	154—460
R. Hockmuth	202	148	189—539
Handicap	29	29	29—
	884	799	846—

Chain Dept.

Reilly	186	175	154—515
Barnes	147	107	134—388
Boise	134	170	157—461
Urban	171	165	137—473
Black	142	153	173—468
	780	770	755—

Dept. No. 37

Birsen	158	164	98—420
Montrie	101	147	115—363
Wetzler	150	138	174—444
Bordner, Sr.	152	187	174—513
LeFevre	201	148	146—495
	762	784	689—

Tool Joint Dept.

Miller	125	150	128—403
Frisbee	159	172	135—466
Warejko	116	186	132—434
Ramsdell	136	117	96—349
Campbell	191	168	127—486
Handicap	34	34	34—
	761	827	652—

Inspection

J. Gleason	163	157	212—532
F. Herr	129	100	135—364
R. McGinnis	159	138	135—432
K. Barnard	145	183	177—505
Joe Biscay	135	161	167—463
	731	739	826—

Weld Shop

Redmond	133	145	191—469
Miller	141	105	126—372
Wilson	154	183	151—488
Shrimplin	104	134	214—452
J. LeFevre	144	143	159—446
Handicap	19	19	19—
	695	729	860—

Navy Dept.

Lesinski	135	178	140—453
Coleman	146	145	172—463
Pirwitz	203	142	134—479
McDonagh	171	127	128—426
Stambaugh	135	121	173—429
	790	713	747—

Shipping Dept. "B"

Cavinee	121	171	125—417
Wakefield	215	149	141—505
Houser	147	161	142—451
Mattimore	153	137	161—451
Palmer	168	159	142—469
Handicap	50	50	50—
	854	827	761—

Dept. No. 39

B. Sloan	158	131	150—439
D. Coon	103	80	126—309
Lorenz	160	145	121—426
Blessing	114	133	123—370
Hoot	99	131	172—402
	634	620	692—

Shipping Dept. "A"

Luttke	154	156	171—481
Gosling	114	121	136—371
Grant	129	142	157—428
DeWitt	135	135	135—405
Nastachowski	127	135	177—439
	659	689	776—

Forge Shop

Zanter	156	165	131—452
Munch	136	114	102—352
Windisch	147	131	115—393
Zeilinski	139	104	113—356
Tenny	158	146	166—470
Handicap	28	28	28—
	764	688	645—

Maintenance

Welton	154	131	168—453
Steele	205	190	148—543
J. Rhoades	158	161	172—491
C. Rhoades	177	201	171—549
Nofziger	136	131	153—420
	—830	814	813—

LOCAL 12 ALL-STAR LEAGUE

Spicer

Mike Stasiak	159	185	172—516
J. Ritter	163	183	173—469
Mike Hulisz	171	199	168—538
Mike Carlucci	159	154	154—467
Zig Walczak	167	182	182—531
	819	853	849—2501

Champion Spark Plug

Roman Obarski	182	190	165—537
Jack Grocki	179	168	148—495
Bernie Krieger	204	150	157—511
Lou Block	165	172	196—533
John Stein	184	179	187—550
	914	859	853—2626

National Supply

C. Woods	157	176	201—534
E. Brug	168	159	191—518
R. Knaggs	153	171	160—484
J. Batema	134	197	202—533
J. Brug	217	193	167—587
	829	896	921—2656

Willys-Overland

Leo Strauss	226	171	186—583
Chas. Urbanski	176	245	197—618
Bill Meyers	171	166	171—508
Joe Kurdys	201	174	224—599
Cap Piojda	277	157	190—624
	1051	913	968—2932

Acklin Stamping

W. Rybka	181	133	165—479
F. Molik	156	118	140—414
J. Gray	127	159	149—435
M. Orlowski	172	178	155—505
F. Marlow	188	183	156—527
	824	771	768—2363

A. C. Klopping

J. Zawodny	186	185	188—559
J. Kardos	157	136	153—446
D. iZelinski	199	211	169—579
J. Lusher	168	150	203—521
F. Wekwert	166	207	195—568
	876	889	907—2672

Mather Spring

C. Ruth	159	134	169—462
J. Bender	152	211	137—510
A. Lutz	178	148	172—498
B. Farkas	163	203	145—511
H. Malkowski	138	150	143—431
	790	846	766—2402

Auto-Lite

B. Strauss	169	180	172—521
J. Gray	121	130	111—362
E. Gwinn	165	148	170—483
J. Bates	179	180	202—561
J. Powell	221	173	195—589
	855	811	860—2526

Honor Roll: Cap Piojda 277—624, Chas. Urbanski 618, Leo Strauss 226, Joe Kurdys 201-224, Chuck Woods 201, Jie Bateman 202, Bernie Krieger 204, Bill Farkas 203, Joe Bates 202, Jakee Powell 221, Jim Bender 211, Dan Zielinski 211, Jack Lusher 203, Frank Wekwert 207.

ALL-STAR STANDINGS

	W.	L.
Willys-Overand	69	9
Auto-Lite	57	21
Champion	43	35
Spicer	42	36
Acklin	42	36
National Supply	28	50
A. C. Klopping	26	52
Mather Spring	17	61

WILLYS-OVERLAND BREAKFAST LEAGUE

Shells

H. Seegert	176	128	187—491
J. Lizut	149	145	169—453
L. Gwiewkowski	224	191	176—581
F. Piojda	169	160	182—521
C. Thomasy	191	189	190—570
	909	813	004—2626

20 M-M

C. Drzewiecki	161	171	171—503
J. Barrow	153	130	149—432
L. Chimney	181	167	169—517
G. Bogacki	158	152	150—460
C. Lewandowski	149	173	209—531
	802	793	848—2443

Chippers

J. Chotar	144	154	148—446
D. Garber	152	169	127—448
H. Braff	154	148	166—468
R. Schneider	114	162	174—450
J. Ishmael	160	172	174—506
	724	805	789—2318

Motors

W. Bach	180	142	120—442
E. Lada	149	157	116—422
R. Wolfe	121	144	156—392
K. Jurski	166	156	134—456
E. Pietrzak	154	187	176—519
	770	788	702—2231

Millers

W. Farris	190	139	160—489
B. Koczorowski	154	149	148—451
E. Placzinski	141	140	118—399
J. Czajkowski	140	190	165—495
J. Kowalski	192	121	231—544
	877	739	852—2508

Millwrights

M. Mohler	154	182	127—463
F. Tucholski	140	176	162—479
H. Coates	162	178	144—484
D. Roose	163	189	147—479
B. Kohring	138	170	176—484
	757	895	756—2408

Welders

H. Reynolds	160	159	141—460
J. MacDonald	131	122	156—409
F. Krouse	153	141	138—432
E. Miller	117	149	168—434
R. Roberts	125	173	118—416
	686	744	721—2151

Cores

E. McDonald	175	171	180—526
H. Basilius	128	206	161—495
H. Beck	171	183	143—497
J. Debth	117	122	148—387
H. Chaistoffar	141	149	199—489
	732	831	831—2394

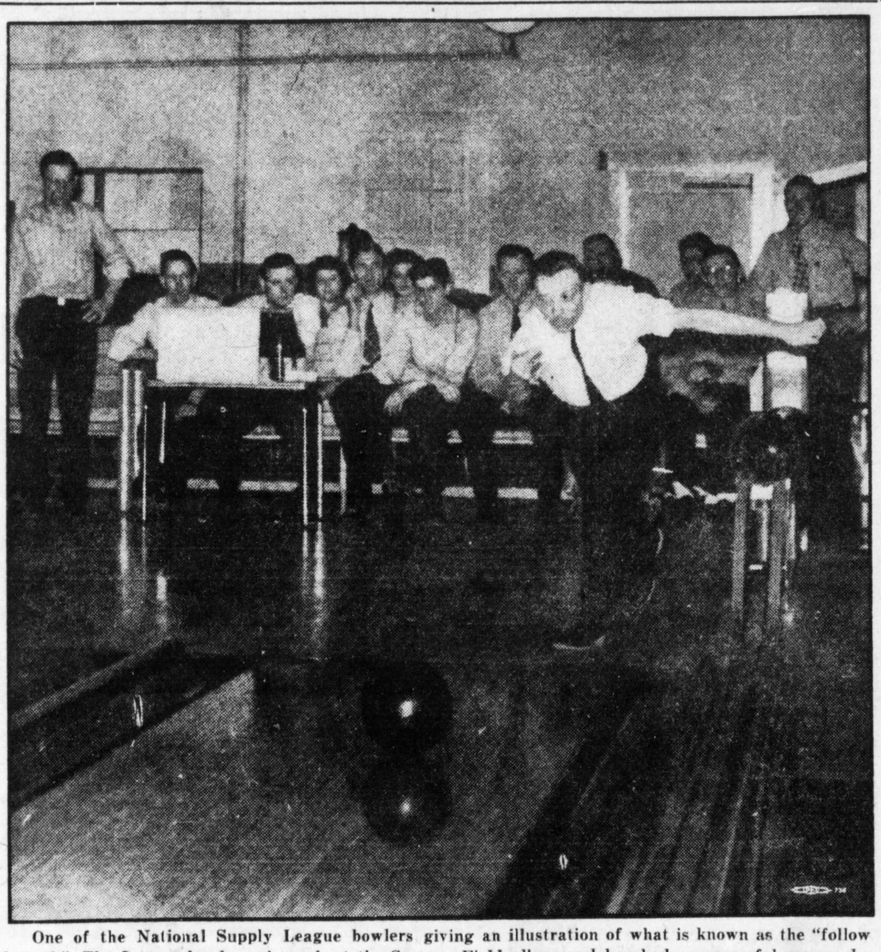
Hoist

O. Blochowski	131	170	150—451
N. Burrow	208	143	129—480
J. Konczal	141	144	171—456
M. Rybarczyk	148	190	190—528
F. Wisniewski	16	6193	179—538
	794	840	819—2453

Heat Treat

H. Keween	134	190	111—435
W. Kwiatkowski	134	99	133—866
N. Cangiamilla	129	151	168—448
B. Kashmer	121	123	151—395
G. Butermore	146	176	132—454
	664	739	695—2098

Action In The National Supply League



One of the National Supply League bowlers giving an illustration of what is known as the "follow through". The League bowls each week at the Swayne Field alleys and has had a successful season despite losses due to members entering the army.

Sport Quiz

By "RED" BIALECKI

Getting down to baseball again all we are asking you to do this time is tell us what field or stadium would you go to see any of these big league teams if they played at home. Watch 9 and 10.

Questions

1. Detroit "Tigers"
2. Boston "Nationals"
3. Cincinnati "Reds"
4. Philadelphia "Athletics"
5. Washington "Senators"
6. Chicago "White Sox"
7. St. Louis "Browns"
8. Boston "Red Sox"
9. Brooklyn "Dodgers"
10. Pittsburgh "Pirates"

(You will find the answers in column 1.)

Roosevelt Rebukes Congress for Arguing Size of Army

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt indirectly rebuked the obstructionists in Congress who are attempting to interfere with plans, announced by him last August, for an army of 7,500,000 men by the end of 1943.

He said that there would be about 10,800,000 in all services at that time and stressed that these goals are based on strict military needs.

As for farm labor shortages, he said, he wanted to relate a story he heard at Casablanca from a newspaper man. In the spring of 1942, the story went, Moscow met a serious out food and fuel problem when 300,000 school children planted every acre about the city and helped cut wood in the forest.

22 More Plants Get Army-Navy "E"

Twenty-two additiona industrial establishments have been selected to receive the Army-Navy Production Award in recognition of outstanding performance on war work, the War Department has announced.

Conservation News

By O. J. Pecord

OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

April will be observed as Conservation Month in Ohio. For the fifth consecutive year a proclamation has been issued setting aside the entire month in which to give special attention to our natural resources.

The week of April 12 to 16 has been designated in the same proclamation as Conservation Week in the schools of Ohio and April 16 will be observed as Arbor and Bird Day.

It is quite fitting that, at this time when our resources are playing such an important role in the war, that we give special attention to their conservation and restoration and that a special week in the schools be used to the utmost in accentuating the emphasis that is being given throughout the school year.

AID IN WAR EFFORT

As an indication of the interest which the "minute men" organized under the supervision of the game protectors of the various counties are taking in the war effort, comes a report from Montgomery county that "minute men" of that county are taking an active part in the county blackouts and other defense activities in the Dayton area.

This corps of "minute men," every one a sharpshooter, has been made up of Montgomery county sportsmen and thoroughly trained in defense. All have had first aid training and are in charge of Game Protector Karl Keller.

Similar reports from many counties have brought commendation of the county defense organizations.

THIS AND THAT

The mink and muskrat trapping season in the Lake Erie district will close March 15 . . . the statement that a Sidney, Ohio, club was believed to be Ohio's oldest sportsmen's club has brought on "challengers" so far . . . does anyone know of a club established prior to 1858? . . . Carp were first introduced into the United States from Germany in 1877 for the purpose of stocking farm ponds . . . the carp is recognized in many places as a good fish and especially in Europe . . . Several Ohio sportsmen's clubs have suggested helping the farmers with their farm work in exchange for courtesies shown in permitting hunting on their lands . . . the Illinois Federation of Sportsmen's clubs was among the first to come up with a strong resolution on the subject although numerous Ohio sportsmen aided in last year's harvest and will again this year . . . a compact fishing kit has become standard equipment on all lifeboats on Navy and Merchant Marine vessels of 3,000 tons or more . . . Charles Marzolf has been appointed caretaker at the new Harrison Lake and Park in Fulton County.

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Every Tuesday 9 P. M. Local 12 All-Stars
172 Teams Bowl at The Pal-A-Drome
DANCING

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The Spicer Club
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Willys Pot Shots

WILLIE THE NEAT

Willie Getz of Dept. 268 is still up to his old tricks, even if he does do all the duties his Union asks of him, such as voting, attending meetings (if he is not too tired after carrying that mouthful of Mail Pouch) and that 190 lb. carcass of his around daily. His wife told him, seeing he lives in a swanky hotel known as the Michigan, to come home with clean hands like all gentlemen should and to take time enough to wash his hands. It seems that Willie is so set on his war effort that he never thinks about it until he is half way home and when he gets there has to sneak in and find a place to scrub his hands. It's tough, Willie, to have to do that but we would like to suggest that you wash that dirty face of yours and comb the chips and tobacco out of that hair adornment on your upper lip.

WAR PRODUCTION QUEENS

We would like to congratulate Dept. 233 in producing a good-looking prize winner, and imagine, she is a brunette. But you should have had a prize or some nice comments on the good job all the Sisters are doing in this department. 233 is known as the wire harness and is located on the 2nd floor, east end of 90 Bldg. It is too bad some of those good looking blondes who came from 49 Bldg. and are now scattered all over the plant, did not enter their pictures in the War Production Queen Contest.

Speaking of handing out prizes, we think there are two sisters working in Augie's Restaurant who are deserving of honorable mention for the way they take care of the large number of workers on the 2nd shift. So, we will take this opportunity to thank Clara McGee and Mildred Gater for their fine work.

A BOUQUET TO BALLARD

We would also like to comment on the way Bro. Charles Ballard, Chairman of the Willys Unit handled the large overflow meeting Friday night, March 5th, at the Civic Auditorium. Congratulations, Chuck! No one could have handled that large meeting any better. You are getting better as you go along. Congratulations to all the members of the Executive Committee for the fine work they have been doing and for all the hard work in signing up so many new members.

DEPT. 103—SECOND SHIFT

An old timer speaking. He says that during World War 1, the best paid men in what is now Dept. 103 were getting $1.10 an hour. Well! You will say, what of it? Just this much. No Union. Compare the wage scale of today with the scale of twenty-five years ago and you will readily see—why a Union!

There are a lot of fellows whom you might class as "skin deep" Union men, or else they are too lazy or indifferent to attend meetings. So it's up to every good Union man to try and educate these men to the fact, that in Union there is strength.

You know, there was a great Greek Philospoher, who lived some 400 years B. C., who said that "all human misery came from ignorance" and I believe he was right. So. "Old Timers," get busy and do a little pitching. Just a little mental orchid for Claude Hess for his article in the Journal. You were certainly pitching no hit ball. Keep in condition! We need more!

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LOOKING 'EM OVER

Things certainly change around the old W.-O. If they can't build a new windbreak for the aluminum forge inspectors, they move a desk into the corner and dust off a stenographer.

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Three G, Galloping Glen Gifford who whips up the hosses for Emil Schnell and gets out them forgins has shown a marked improvement (so we are told) since being promoted to a desk. All of which should go to prove something.

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Joe Garove better known to hammermen in the aluminum forge as Wild Joe has returned to work after suffering a broken hand in making emphatic his argument with a steward. The table didn't hit Joe back; but it did a job on his dainty little paw. Joe now says that the next time he breaks his meat hook it won't be on a table. Are you kidding Joe?

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The first time we ever saw Ray Russell we thought he was an assistant to the company president. Imagine our surprise when we discovered he was only Emil Schnell's...

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Old Joe Ishmael, the boy who went from assistant day forman to night foreman after taking little liver pills has been a sad loss to Joe G. Incidentally, its about time for Joe to get out of the boys class in bowling and start pitching them down like the regular he-men do.

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Imagine our surprise in seeing Johnny Ball working on a hammer. And we were even more surprised to learn how he was doing on the hammer because Johnny was the foreman who knew all about hammers and could take the other hammermen and day crew to pieces. After all, the way a picture looks depends to a considerable extent upon where you are standing when you look at it. Don't you think so, Mr. Ball.

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While on the subject of Balls, there is that other Ball, yclept Virgil who toots on the tooter and plays a mean clarinet when Carmen Broderick can induce him to attend band practice. Virgil is one of the forge shop's most virtuous he-men.

SIGNING OFF

And now that my frans in the hammershop may remember me.

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THE HAMMER SHOP

Out in the hammershop there is
smoke and noise,
And hammerman act like grown-
up boys,
Where Garove shouts and fumes
and cries,
"What the Hell! Where the Hell's
them dies?"
Where Virgil sits and sighs and
sighs
And people notice the circles under
his eyes.
Where smoke's so thick you can
cut the air,
And nobody needs to put grease
on their hair.
Where the bull and the con compete for first place,
And many a grin spreads on grimy
face.
Where they work and sweat and
toil and fuss,
And shout and cry and grimace
and cuss.
Where Gifford runs and dashes and
looks,
And stock chasers hurriedly glance
through their books.
It's a Hell of a place, a madhouse
I vow;
But believe it or not, I miss that
old hole, and how.

City Machine Tid Bits

FROM ONE OF OUR BOYS

Hi, fellows:

Hope you are well and happy. I received your package today and it was swell. Thanks a lot, fellows. I was in the hospital and that is why I was delayed in answering.

It's nice here in Denver, but I'd give a million, if I had it, to be back home. I am going to armorer school now. Seems like I'll be going to school forever.

No doubt you fellows are working hard as always. It seems good to hear from you fellows. Mr. Robinson really must have a time of it every month sending out those boxes, and is really doing a fine job. I'll just say so long for. "Keep 'em flying."

Pvt. Anton Casagrande,
366th T. S. S. (S.P.)
Lowry Field, Denver, Colo.

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Ernie Hilgeman, manager of our bowling team, has returned after a week's illness.

Al Rutkowski will be in service by the time this gets into print. He will be sent first to Camp Perry.

Dave Brown had a dandy cookie duster, but showed up at work the other a. m. minus the hirsute appendage. Wonder why.

Lawrence Laibe had fun during last week's blackout. He arose from his chair in the darkness, tripped over the floor lamp, knocked it over and broke it, fell over the chair, knocking it over and then arose to nearly fall out the window. Hey, Larry, are you sure it was a blackout, or was it a blinkout?

Boys in the shop took up a collection for Al Rutkowski the other day when he came into the shop to check out for the Army. Gave Al $7.50 for cigarette money.

Red Bialecki, who writes the Union Journal Sport Quiz, paid off some bets the morning after the headpin tournament.

About three-fourths of all sports equipment now being manufactured goes to members of the armed services and to those receiving pre-induction military training.

Allied troops fighting in North Africa are familiar with rationing of the scarcest commodity there—water. From private to general, water rations are identical.

Mather Mutterings

We are very proud of our fellow member, Melvin "Pete" Griffin, who was elected sergeant-at-arms of Local 12. We know Pete's capacity and honesty and have every confidence he will perform his work faithfully and well.

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We have heard rumors about having a "Production Queen" in the forge division. The info comes straight from Pete Griffin. Delicate stuff, too. If "it" isn't home before midnight, how production suffers!

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Bernie Zawodny, who used to "float" in all the parades, is now selling advertising for the Toledo Union Journal.

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Theme song of good old Alma Mather — "Smoke gets in your eyes."

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Pete Griffin is preparing for another ticket-selling spree. This time it's a St..p squeeze." Okey, Pete, bring on the tickets, anything to support the program of the Political Activities. You'll probably have our dough before we know what happened anyhow.

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Wonder if we could list the guys who climb into our lunch buckets every time we open them as "dependents"? Yeah, income tax time is here. Are you spending your summer at Alcatraz or Leavenworth?

Walter Harris

The Acklinite

By LEWIS MATTOX

Mrs. E. Orlowski won first prize and the raffle. Second prize was won by Art Meade of the shipping room.

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Mary Kajasz's boy was home on a furlough last week. He visited at the shop last week and was welcomed by Mary's friends and fellow employes.

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Cyrus "Toots" Martin who has been our representative from Local 12 for the past two years, is sitting in without executive committee on negotiations and grievances, "Toots" deserves the whole hearted support of our membership and thanks for his good work for our Unit.

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Clara Renz should get the thanks of the entire membership for the fine way she handed the bond drive. Her work and the response of our Unit members is the best possible answer we can give the Peglers and Rickenbackers.

Rathbun Reporter

By Drexel O'Neil

HI, EVERYBODY

We may be small in Local 12, but we are growing. Our unit is young, but learning fast. Our committee has worked as one this year and our progress has been steady.

Our shop committee has successfully negotiated a real vacation with pay for this year. Here are some of the points agreed upon by the unit and management:

All employes with the company one year or more as of May 1 are eligible with 40 hours' pay, or may take the pay without the vacation on two weeks' notice to the management.

Preferential vacations granted on the basis of seniority but in no case in a way to disrupt the operation of the plant. On its part, management will endeavor to comply with employes' vacation requests, while the shop committee will be responsible for the vacation schedule.

Vacation pay will be given at the time the employe takes his vacation, or, if he should terminate his employment with the company and is eligible, he shall receive his vacation pay at the time of his separation with the company. Employes leaving for the Army and eligible for vacation shall receive his vacation pay at the time of his induction.

C. I. O. Canco (1) Opener

By Ted Modrowski

Hats off to Sophia Sczepanski for her big 107 and second place in the recent city-wide headpin tournament. If it isn't too late, Sophie we would like to make an appointment for instructions. (Line forms at the right, gentlemen.)

Speaking of bowling, we might mention that the Steels of the Canco Ladies league are doing a good job of holding down first place. Hang on, girls, the end is near.

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Definite signs of spring are in evidence here, with migration the topic of the day. Practically everybody and her sister from throughout the shop are now up in Dept. 4, with the remainder of the place gathering dust. To the girls from the first and second floors I might add that at least you are working closer to heaven now than you have been.

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Edalkoetes, Mantle Club, Eta Bitta Pie and I Tapa Keg are all social organizations of a specific nature, with members of our unit claiming membership in at least one of these clubs. One of the above even claims to promote "ethics and productivity," but none of them settles grievances, improves working conditions or seek wage increases. Still they maintain a large attendance at meetings and are given full support by the membership—more so than OUR unit. WHY?

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Whenever the opportunity may present itself, ask Bill Kleparek what he would do with a million dollars. But don't allow yourself to become entangled in a lecture that precedes his distribution of wealth—it's brutal. (He promised us 50 G's.)

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The concensus of opinion at the plant seems to be that the daring, stalwart lads, who are as free as the breeze, and brave the brisk morning air each day to come to work and are ardent followers of all water sports, especially boating, would make good sailors—IN UNIFORM.

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It would be nice to see more familiar faces at the collective bargaining classes held at the Local each Tuesday. They are really interesting and informative. Lack of education on the part of the rank and file is the reason many corporations pull the wool over your eyes.

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A TRAGEDY

Following last week's trial blackout, Air Raid Warden John Marok was the recipient of more good-natured ribbing than anyone else since Niagara Falls was a drip. He was a sport though, and kidded right along. But when he started giving instead of taking, certain people became unhappy. To clarify any misunderstanding, the story that has been circulating about the shop in regard to blackout violations is purely ficticious and has no reference to persons either living dead.

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As long as we're all union members let's patronize union establishments. This includes barber shops. If you're getting trimmed, it may as well be by a union man.

Director

Edward Duck, educational director of Local 12, whose classes in collective bargaining are attracting large crowds each Tuesday.

Commutator Comments

The letters we receive from our boys in the Service show they certainly appreciate our monthly check to each. It only means the price of a drink or two a month from each. With the liquor situation the way it is—we'll keep up the good start kids. The collection is handled with book inspection. Try to increase it please.

At our shop the photograph contest has looked more like a blonde contest. Don't our brunettes and redheads take pretty pictures?

Our Unit party was a swell affair and all had a good time. But carrying kegs and glasses up five flights of stairs is no cinch. "Ask Chet DeLaney." "He knows." Maybe our glasses won't get broken. If the elevator isn't fixed by then, maybe we can find some plastic ones. Then more of the people will stay later than five o'clock.

The Executive Board election has given us a new member from our Unit. John Kiplinger. "We'll be rooting for you Johnny." Maybe the next time you'll find the right place in Columbus."

It must be nice to have a husband like Sophie Nostakowski. He praises her to anyone who will listen. Sophie, "How do you do it?"

Champion Sparklets

By SPARKY

Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Lucille Schmidt, Lucille Silliman, Marie Engler and Clarence Dobrzykowski.

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We hope your hand is much better, Cleo Pollock.

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Ask Doris Gardner to show you the beautiful lapel pin she was gifted with on her birthday. It sure is a honey. Thanks for the candy and cake. Here's hoping you have many more birthdays, Doris!

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The men in Dept. G would like to have Sparky ask someone who knows: Why can't we have a girl machinist—a blond preferred?

Possible answer: Old-bear-with-the-ladies' resistance is low in the winter. Especially where blondes are concerned. Need we say more?

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Jack Anning denies it, but we know that his middle name is the same as that of Shakespeare's famous characterization—Caesar! That's better than Julius Caesar.

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There is always something interesting to talk about at our unit meetings. If you're not the talking type, there is always good listening.

We have all heard about our air force destroying a great part of the Jap fleet in a recent battle, boys and girls! That took a lot of Champion Spark Plugs. Let's not delay the complete destruction of the Jap navy. That will take plenty more plugs. Let's all step on it!

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The Red Cross drive is on, folks! We should all give freely to it.

A few have been complaining about our committee lately. These same complainers are the ones who are noticeably absent on meeting nights. Come on down, boys, and learn the truth about the work.

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A bunch of our fellows got together Wednesday evening at Byrne Road and Chicago Pike. A great deal was done. You will hear more about that as we move forward.

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Don Philo can always be found at his machine during working hours. He also does some fast work in the lunch room—if you get what we mean. Wayne Edwards is a close second.

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There seems to be something missing in the office of Hill and Shedwick. Maybe the cold that has John Reason talking in whispers is it, but Harry Grothaus can still be heard.

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Ron Wilson of Dept. B has a very guilty smile lately, but he, too, works near Don Philps and Wayne Edwards.

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Something To Shout About

Five thousand five hundred planes in the last month! Does that sound like the laboring man isn't doing his share? And to think that this feat was being performed during the same month that Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker was so abusive to the working class. We wonder if Rick's followers think the big shots who keep the swivel chairs warm are fully responsible for this Herculean production.

The cartooning team of Orv Geiser and George Bowers is reunited again. This time they're partners on the annealing furnaces in Dept. L. Reports have it that their "artistic" efforts already are in circulation.

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Dept. L has surrendered two more men to the Army. Eddie Briggs and Herb Medley both have been inducted and will leave soon. (The steadily growing list of service men will necessitate an addition to the honor roll sign before long.)

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Inspector Bunny (Einstein) Smith, Dept. L, first floor, is getting invention-minded again. Seems like he's trying to concoct something from nothing. Give him credit anyway; we could use a genius around here.

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The two Navy officers who recently visited and spoke to us, both delivered timely and stirring speeches. Of course, we're all aware of the seriousness of war on the home front, but it takes these fellows to remind us how important the home front really is!

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How is it that one of our up-and-coming newspapermen of Dept. L is always the first one out at night? Is it to collect news, or is it because you can't stand the smell of castor oil? How about it, Georgie?

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Depts. J and K employees are happy about the promotion of Clarence Keyser and Jim Keyser to assistant formen in their respective departments. Congratulations to both.

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How does it feel to be one of the finalists in the Victory Queen contest, Wilhelmina Herringhausen? (Editor's note: Cute kid is Wilhelmina even if she did fail to pin a rose on me.)

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Jack Fischer of Engineering Inspection is being missed. He is now on the second shift. How do you like being a night owl, Jack?

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Hilda Coulter was showing photos last week of a handsome gentleman all decked out in khaki. Turned out to be the guy she's married to.

Union Labels

By BILL HEALY
Union Labels Director

There is no better time than right now to begin to demand the union bug on the things which you buy.

If you have not been asking for the union label why not begin the very next time you make a purchase to ask for the label and thus contribute your bit as a member of organized labor to support organized labor as you want your fellow unionists to give you their support.

There are still far too many union people who apparently are not interested in seeing that the union label appears on the things they buy. A good thing to remember is that the golden rule works in unionism the same as it does in life. Buy union-made goods and insure the work and future of your own and other unions.

Buying union-made goods really amounts to helping each other, for if we purchase the products which other unions make, they will reciprocate by buying the things which we make. Why not begin right now to ask for and accept only those products which carry the "bug"—your guarantee of good workmanship—and insure the future of union labor.

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Vinson Backs Down--- Or Is It Rickenbacker?

Will Not Call Rickenbacker To Testify

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON, March 3 — Chairman Carl Vinson (D.-Ga.) of the house naval affairs committee has decided not to ask Edward Rickenbacker to testify in public hearings on absenteeism after all.

Stoutly the antilabor poll tax representative maintained he had not been influenced by any protests of labor. He hadn't even thought of such a thing, or talked to anyone at all since his original announcement of the previous day, he told FP March 1.

"It's just that I want to get the hearings through with in short order," he said.

Doesn't Need Rickenbacker

"I have Secretary of Navy Frank Knox, Undersecretary Robert P. Forrestal and Admiral Emory S. Land as witnesses and I don't think we need Rickenbacker."

Perhaps this not very cheerful spectre of torpedoed seaman hanging on his every distorted word, induced Rickenbacker to complain from Miami, when told Vinson wanted him to testify, that he was only human. He wanted a rest. "I know nothing about it," he was reported saying when told of Vinson's august plans for him, "and don't care."

Vinson said that an amendment to minor leislation which would direct all navy yards supervisors to report all instances of absenteeism not authorized in advance to local draft boards, would not be brought up after all. Instead, he will concentrate on the committee's bill to make such a rule apply to all companies under contract to the navy, which may reach the floor next week.

AFL and CIO Join To Fete Chilean Labor Leader

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON, March 6 — The Chilean Confederation of Labor was organized six years ago, first, to combat fascism in Chile, and second, to oppose fascism abroad, Bernardo Ibanez, secretary general of the federation, told AFL and CIO leaders March 4.

CIO Pres. Philip Murray and AFL Sec.-Treas. George Meany spoke of the significance of his visit here to labor unity between the Americas. Meany even read a line or two of Spanish in welcoming him and thus earned the hearty applause of a long tableful of labor dignitaries at the luncheon in the Carlton given for the Latin American visitor jointly by the AFL and CIO.

Watch Congress

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Hobbs Bill HR 653	Hamstrings unions and war production under mask of "anti-racketeering."	Wire Reps. Martin, McCormack and your own Rep. if still up. Prepare to write Senators on Senate version.
Dies Com.	Com. renewed for two years. New appropriation next step.	Wire your Rep. to appear at Ho. Accounts Co., speak and vote against more money.
1943 tax bill	Ho. Ways and Means finishing hearings on "pay-as-you-go," getting ready for hearings on bills for '43. Move to kill $25,000 limit as ordered by President.	Still tell your Rep. nix on Ruml plan. Keep up fire on real win-war taxes. Urge your Rep. to pledge to sign petition.
Poll tax repeal	Several bills offered, buried in committee. Discharge petition coming up soon.	Wire Sens. to get bill out of committee, vote for it on floor.
Pepper-Kilgore bill S 607	Creates central plan and agency for total war mobilization.	
H. Res. 36 Tolan Com.	Renews Tolan Com., aids total war mobilization.	Wire your Rep. to get bill out, vote for it.

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Letters and wires have been sent by the Willys Unit Committee to our Congressman and Senators to this effect.

Charles Ballard, Chairman

WILLYS-OVERLAND UNIT
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Senate Group Votes Farm Deferment; Rout of Jap Armada Near New Guinea Shows Rising U. S. Power in Pacific; RAF Europe Drive Forecasts Invasion

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

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Maj. Gen. Lloyd Fredenhall, commander-in-chief of Allied forces in southern Tunisia, is pictured in a map discussion with French officers. Clockwise around the table are: Capt. Charles Ciarlet, French operations officer (light cap); Brig. Gen. Raye Porter (standing); General Fredenhall; Gen. Eduard Welvert; Lieut. Henri Thewes, interpreter to General Welvert.

JAPS PERSISTENT:
In South Pacific

The South Pacific had returned dramatically to the fore when the news was disclosed that the Japanese had marshaled great forces in their island bases north of Australia.

The approach of a powerful Japanese convoy of 14 vessels toward New Guinea under the protection of foggy weather, had lent weight to a previous warning by Gen. Douglas MacArthur that the enemy had been concentrating huge quantities of planes, shipping and men in their far-flung island strongholds ringing Australia on the north.

Allied warplanes were on the alert and in the decisive action that followed, they sank or damaged four of the enemy ships and scattered the rest of the convoy over a wide area. Among the Jap casualties were one 10,000 ton transport left sinking, another transport split asunder, two other vessels damaged and escorting warships hit.

This latest Jap offensive bid was apparently aimed to reinforce enemy forces in the Lae area of New Guinea.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO PLAN:
Would Withhold 20%

The new pay-as-you-go tax program was not the Ruml plan nor the proposal advanced by the treasury department. Somewhere between both, the new congressional plan would withhold 20 per cent of taxable income from the pay envelopes of the nation's 31,000,000 wage and salary earners beginning July 1.

Sponsored by Chairman Cooper of the house ways and means committee's subcommittee on pay-as-you-go taxation, the plan would provide for weekly, semi-monthly or monthly deductions from income which would be accumulated and applied to actual taxes computed at the year's end.

The proposed withholding levy would not change any person's tax obligations for 1942, 1943 or any year. It merely sets up a system for deductions from wages and salaries for accumulation against actual taxes to be computed at the end of the year. Taxpayers who paid their first installments March 15 would be expected to pay their second installment as usual June 15. Then in July, the withholding provision would be undertaken.

MANPOWER:
Services Need 12,000,000

Upwards of 12,000,000 Americans may have to don uniforms before the war is over in order to maintain an armed force of 11,000,000, congress was told by Col Lewis Sanders, chief of the reemployment division of the selective service.

The 1,000,000 loss in manpower, he said, could be charged up to normal attrition, exclusive of battle casualties. In explaining his paradoxical set-up, Colonel Sanders said:

"You would put into one picture an armed force of 11,000,000 and then 1,000,000 men to replace the attrition of that armed force. In other words, it looks as if you have 12,000,000 men in service, but you don't. You always have 11,000,000."

FARM WORKERS:
Senators Vote Deferment

Forecasting deferment of farm workers from military service for the remainder of this year, the senate military affairs committee had voted approval of a measure exempting such workers from the draft.

Viewed as a stop-gap to relieve the current farm labor and food shortage, the committee's action took the form of a proposed amendment to the Selective Service act.

The amendment provides that "every registrant engaged in an agricultural occupation . . . shall be deferred from training and service" under the Selective Service act, and that "no such registrant shall leave such occupation" without special permission from his local board.

INVASION PRELUDE:
RAF Softens Naziland

As Allied bombers had continued their unprecedented aerial attack against western Europe and had wrought desruction in Berlin outdistancing even the havoc of 1940 Nazi assualts on London, this offensive appeared to be taking a major place in the overall Allied war plan.

Night after night the bombers had droned in an ever-rising crescendo over Berlin. In a single attack more than 900 tons of bombs—twice the weight of anything ever dropped by the Nazis on London—plummeted down on Hitler's capital. Returning fliers reported mountainous conflagrations in Berlin.

At the peak of the bombing attacks, Capt. Harold Balfour, British undersecretary of state for air, said the Anglo-American air offensive was "preparing the day for our united forces to invade Europe.

"I look forward to the time when there will be no hour of the day or night when the Axis can rest from the swoop of Allied aircraft," he said. "In the long view, the present raids are but the opening bars which will rise to the crescendo of a march on Europe."

RUSSIAN FRONT:
'Follow the Weather'

Although the thaws of spring had slowed down their offensive in the south, the doughy Russians were still on the march in the northwest. Into the headlines once more came Marshal Timoshenko, ace Russian commander, for his armies on the move between Moscow and Leningrad had recaptured 302 towns and settlements, freed 1,000 square miles of territory and had menaced German positions by the seizure of key points near Staraya Russia. The Reds had killed or captured 11,000 Nazis.

The timing of this newest offensive—the eighth launched by the Russians since last November—indicated the persistent character of the Russian strategy. Summed up it meant this: Shift the center of operations to follow the weather. If it thaws in the south, then attack in the north. But do not permit the Nazis a breathing-spell anywhere.

In the Donets basin the Nazi forces had retained the initiative in their counteroffensive. Moscow had admitted some local German successes, but had not confirmed a Nazi claim of the recapture of Barvenkiva, 82 miles southeast of Kharkov on the Kiev railway.

TUNISIA:
Axis Tries Diversion

As American pressure was intensified on Marshal Rommel's retreat from the Kasserine Pass region, other Axis forces had headed an attack toward Beja, 40 miles west of Tunis, in an effort to create a diversion and remove Allied attention from Rommel. The British, against whom this drive was launched, had successfully held the Germans off and the Axis attacks lost their momentum.

Meanwhile, the Allied forces' advance in central Tunisia continued with the capture of Sbeitla, 18 miles from the town of Kasserine. In the far south, too, war bulletins said, the British eight army under Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery had attacked objectives on the Mareth line.

As the Allied air strength in North Africa had continued to grow, bombing raids against enemy positions gained in momemtum. Widespread activity included raids on Palermo, Sicily, western terminus of the Axis supply route shuttling men and munitions to North Africa. The air assaults likewise concentrated on the docks at the Axis naval base of Bizerte and on railroad bridges between Sfax and Sousse.

ANTI-JAP OFFENSIVE:
'Prospects Are Bright'

From both sides of the Pacific came indications that more effective American offensive action against the Japs was drawing nearer.

In China, Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault declared that the prospects "are definitely brighter" for carrying the war to Japan, adding that the Allies can defeat the Nipponese in a comparatively short time when they turn their whole effort into the Pacific, and "there is an outside chance the job can be finished this year."

Emphasizing the possibility of eliminating Japan this year, the blunt-spoken Chennault added: "I think there are some men in high position who already realize this."

In Washington, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, commander of the Pacific fleet, said the navy was ready to start a drive toward the industrial heart of Japan.

OIL FOR SPAIN:
No U. S. Deprivation

Diplomacy is the business of Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles and he showed he was well equipped for his job by the manner in which he smoothed over the controversial subject of shipments of American oil products to pro-Axis Spain.

Loud had been the outcry in the oil-scarce eastern states when the news of the shipments to Spain were made public. Quick to mollify the complainers was Mr. Welles who declared that such shipments were in line with the interests of the United States and "have had no effect whatever on the quantity of petroleum available to any consumers in the United States."

RATIONING PICTURE:
Regulations Expanding

As Mrs. Average Housewife got used to buying her canned goods on a point rationing basis, a survey of the rationing picture as a whole revealed the following regulations in force:

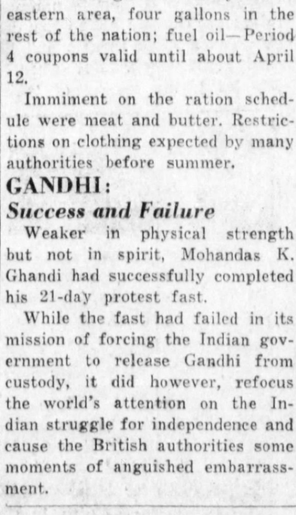
Coffee—one pound every six weeks; sugar—five pounds every 11 weeks; shoes—one pair between now and June 17, obtainable with Stamp No. 17 in War Ration Book No. 1; Tires—still closely rationed, but recaps obtainable; gasoline—all pleasure driving banned in 17 eastern states and the District of Columbia. A, B and C coupons worth three gallons weekly in the eastern area, four gallons in the rest of the nation; fuel oil—Period 4 coupons valid until about April 12.

Immiment on the ration schedule were meat and butter. Restrictions on clothing expected by many authorities before summer.

GANDHI:
Success and Failure

Weaker in physical strength but not in spirit, Mohandas K. Ghandi had successfully completed his 21-day protest fast.

While the fast had failed in its mission of forcing the Indian government to release Gandhi from custody, it did however, refocus the world's attention on the Indian struggle for independence and cause the British authorities some moments of anguished embarrassment.



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HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

WASHINGTON: Lieut. Com. Leroy C. Simpler of Milton, Del., whose navy fighter squadron is known to have shot down 77 planes and is said to have accounted for 16 more in operations in the Solomon Islands, will receive a third decoration, the navy reported. Already the recipient of the Navy Cross and Distinguished Flying Cross, he has been voted a Gold Star.

ZURICH: Following a tour of Italy, a Swiss newspaper correspondent reported that United Nations' bombing planes had caused widespread damage and a majority of residents had evacuated large cities. In Milan, only one-third of the normal 1,200,000 population remains, he said. In Genoa, most of the city's important thoroughfares have been badly wrecked.

Hail To The Queen

Capt. F. J. McMannon of the Toledo Naval Armory congratulates Jane Pilcher of the Willys-Overland Co. choosen from among a large group of contestants as War Production Queen. Jane received $100 war savings bond and a $250 scholarship from the Paul Spor Theatrical Studio.

Cellar Does A Little Deflating Of Rickenbacker

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Edward V. Rickenbacker's ears should have burned from his place in the foxholes of Miami, Fla., even were there no sunshine on March 5. For on that day the House, which has heard Rep. John Rankin, Democrat, Mississippi, call him a godsend to America and more, heard of him in less flattering language.

Rep. Emanuel Cellar, Democrat, New York, assailed Rickenbacker—the first time it's been done in the House—for "lambasting labor from hell to breakfast" and contributing to the attack on labor being perpetrated behind the "catch-all phrase" of "absenteeism."

Rickenbacker No Daniel

Saying that the world war ace is "no Daniel come to judgment," Cellar made it plain that he did not defend absenteeism, but that willful absences from work at war plants were "isolated and exceptional."

"On all sides," he said, we hear charges against labor, but we hear very little of what good work the vast majority of workmen are doing."

He said he favored a work-or-fight policy for "lawyers, doctors, scientists, ministers and newspapermen," not just war plant workers. Rankin piped up to say Rickenbacker attacked "labor racketeering."

Contestants For War Production Queen Contest

Some of the beauties who competed in the War Production Queen Contest which ended last week. Present in the picture are Mary Mazinko, Marion Meacham, Mary Striber, Georgianna Deal, Lucille Schmidt, Janet Meet, Madeline Joseph, Betty Davis, Noami Bushman, Alice Domagala, Sophie Przepiora, Jean McCaugheym Frances Mougie and Jane Pilcher.

Local 12 UAW-CIO Master Contract

Editor's Note: In order that every member of Local 12 may have his or her own copy of the Local 12 Master Contract, we will compile a section of the contract each week until it is completed. We suggest that each member clip these sections and save them

UNION SHOP

OTHER CLAUSES TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Any person hired as foreman, assistant foreman or supervisor shall hold such seniority as the Union determines, and the Union shall be the deciding body for all seniority disputes.

SUGGESTIONS FOR BID CLAUSES FOR OPEN JOBS

1. The following procedure shall be followed to conform with the intent of the above paragraph. It shall be construed, that when new jobs are created or vancancies occur, they shall be posted on plant bulletin boards, giving the following information.

Specify the shift—day shift, first night shift or second night shift. Requirements necessary to fill the job. The starting rate (which in no case shall be below the shop minimum of 78 cents per hour) the low rate and the high rate paid on the job. The required period of time that a man must remain on the job before bidding on another job.

All bids for jobs that are within the jurisdiction of the union shall be posted plant wide, and shall remain on the bulletin boards for forty-eight hours.

A man who has bid for a job and declines it after being appointed to said job shall not be allowed to bid for a period of six months, the Department Committeeman shall receive immediate notification of the appointment.

No job shall be awarded to learners unless declined by senior men with ability. Bids posted may also include learners who may have the job provided it is not filled as above. Those men who may be ineligible because of time period on the job they hold through a bid, may be released by the approval of the management and the Executive Committee.

A man making a successful bid on a job shall be allowed a reasonable time to qualify and shall be considered on probation for not more than 30 days. He shall have reasonable help and supervision. Should he fail to qualify on the job he shall be returned to his original job and those who followed also set back. Failure to qualify shall eliminate a man from further bidding for a period of one year. Failure to qualify shall be decided by the Management and the Executive Committee. It shall be done as follows: The Company in the first instance shall make the decision, and if the employe feels aggrieved by such decision, his complaint shall be considered as any other grievance and shall be adjusted in like manner.

A man qualifying on a new job shall have his rate increased proportionate to his value on that job and when equal to the top man in all phases shall receive top rate. A man receiving a job through a bid shall date his seniority in the new department from the date of his acceptane, regardless of the delay in placing him on the new job.

All bids shall be written in duplicate on the regular form and signed by the Department Committeeman andt he Chairman of the Executive Committee and one copy filed with the employment office and the other copy with the Union Secretary.

Men who are working on different shifts and doing the same type of work may exchange shifts with each other providing the arrangement issuitable to the Department Head and a signed agreement is made by each and filed with the Employment Office and Secretary of the Union before the change is made in shifts.

Crossword Puzzle

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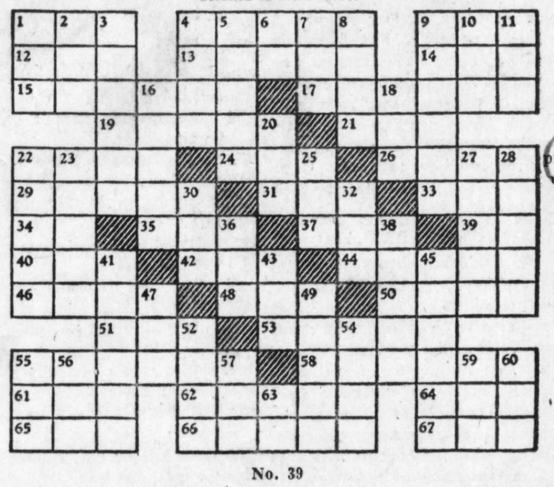

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1 Appendage
4 Vanity
9 Flurry
12 Province in Ecuador
13 Fable-maker
14 Swine
15 Algonquian Indian
17 Glad tidings
19 Conveniently near
21 To observe
22 To declare
24 Beast of burden
26 Land measure
29 Simpleton
31 Cavity
33 Sesame
34 Prefix: two
35 Burmese demon
37 Soft substance
39 Six
40 French coin
42 Encore!
44 Worn-out
46 To tear
48 To hit lightly
50 Cattle
51 Outfit
53 To long for
55 Pertaining to the backbone
58 To read
61 Electrified particle
62 Pry
64 Conjunction
65 To spread for drying
66 Slang: wary
67 Alkaline solution

VERTICAL

1 Also
2 Skill
3 Trouble
4 Chess piece
5 Set
6 Exists
7 Canine
8 Epic poem
9 Appearance
10 Female deer
11 Nocturnal bird
16 High priest
18 Body of water
20 Snappish bark
22 Color
23 To utter
25 Gymnastic term (coll.)
27 Cleaved
28 To omit
30 To catch
32 To make lace
36 To incline
38 Slang: one who does things in a small way
41 Cruel
43 Pouch
45 Religious ceremony
47 Noise
49 Sot
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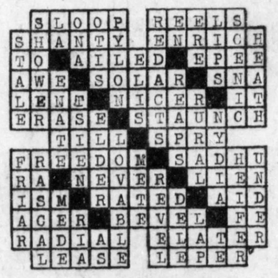

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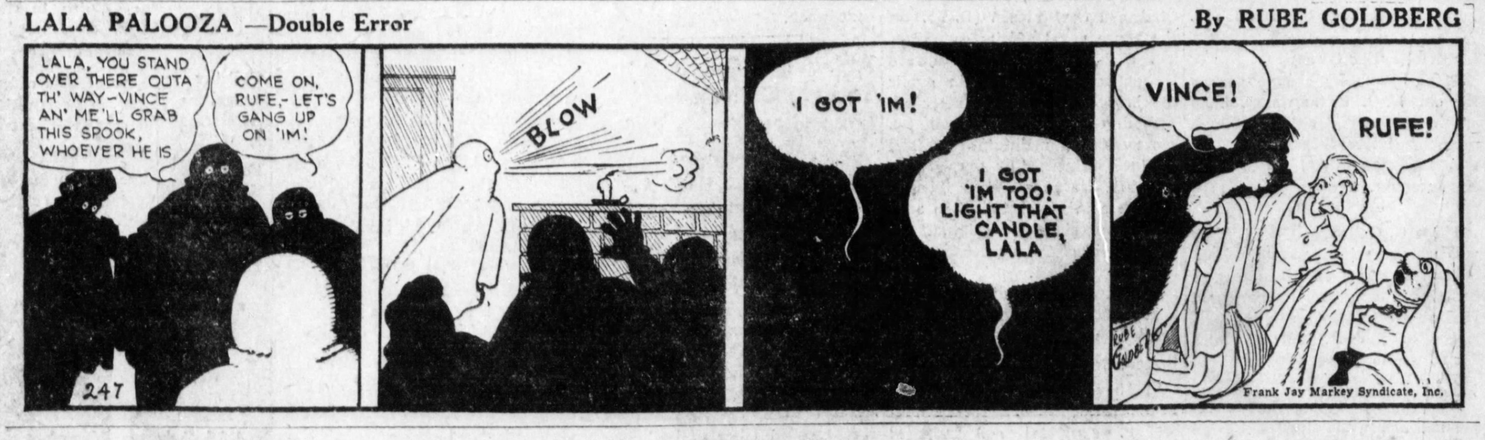
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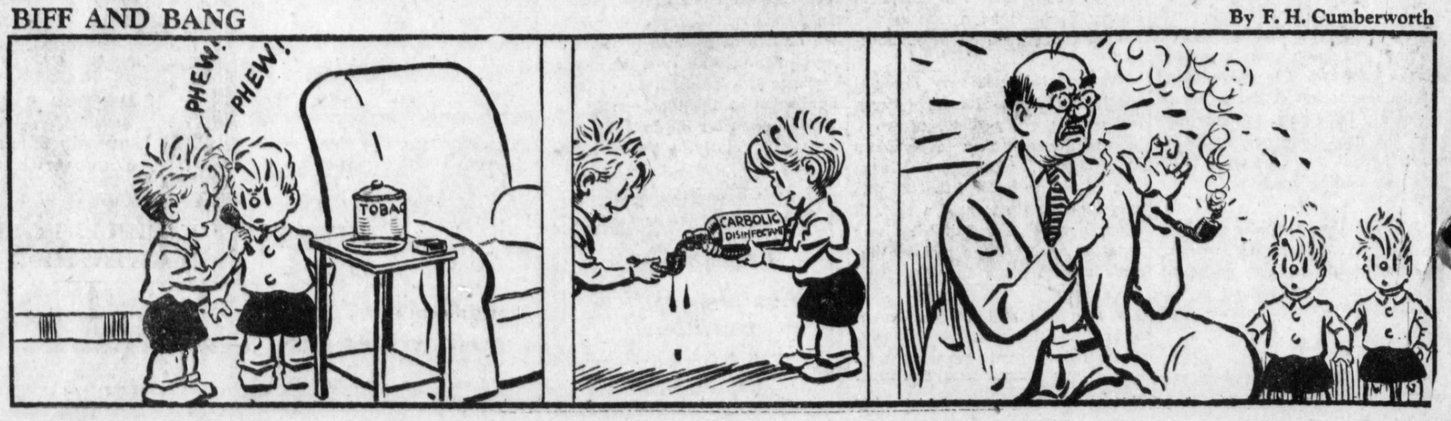
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